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CHRIST THE ONLY LIGHT OF THE WORLD.

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CHRISTIANITY COMPARED.

"The missionary movement springs from the conviction that Christianity is the universal religion, that it is meant for every man. This conviction involves the belief that Christianity is superior to the non-Christian religions."

This can be proven only by fairly comparing Christianity with other faiths. In Asiatic lands to-day Christianity is continually being compared with other religions, though it is not always admitted on terms of equality. This is at once necessary and desirable else why would a man be led to forsake the faith of his country, his father and his family if he had not first made a fair comparison and found the superiority of the religion of Jesus Christ.

In such a comparison we must hold up the Christian conception of God, sin, salvation, eternal reward and punishment, of brotherhood and social relations over against the conception of the non-Christian religions. Above all we must show the fruitage of Christianity as exemplified in the lives of individuals and nations.

There are many difficulties in the way of making a true comparison. It would not be fair or just or Christian for us to choose only the worst elements in the non-Christian faiths for comparison. In these studies from month to month we have endeavored to show the strength as well as the weakness of these religions. We have rejoiced in the truth found in all of them. We have not intentionally done injustice to the strong teachings of Mohammed, to the ethics of Confucius or Buddha, or to the things that are true and beautiful in Hinduism.

In this comparison we want to have Christianity judged by its Teacher, its teachings and its best fruits. It is not fair to judge it by people who live in Christian lands but who have not accepted the Christ as their guide and pattern in life; nor from those who have received it in some corrupted form.

Oriental critics often point out weaknesses in our social and political life as an evidence of the inferiority of Chris-

tianity. There is a long list of wars, crimes, persecutions, inquisitions and bigotries that has marred the annals of Christendom. The deplorable conditions in South America, where a form of Christianity prevails are also held up as fruits of Christian teaching.

It is easily possible to draw a horrible picture from General Booth's revelations of "Darkest London," or Dr. Parkhurst's stories of "Darkest New York." The news in our daily papers would naturally lead a foreigner to suppose that we are a nation of thieves, murderers and adulterers, so shamefully are crimes flaunted in the face of the long suffering public.

All these things might lead one to regard Christianity as a deplorable failure. We protest that while these things are tolerated and often encouraged in non-Christian faiths, *such sins are not sheltered nor excused by our religion, and that all these iniquities are violations of the law of our holy God.* The radical difference between the Christian and non-Christian faiths is what makes the missionary appeal effective. We have something we wish to share with the whole world.

There are many who do not see these differences. There is much missionary unbelief in our land that we must meet from time to time. There are many dangerous books in circulation that tell of the beauties of the Oriental religions. They contain half-truths only, because they leave out the very things that really control the actions of the people.

One view of the non-Christian faiths is that "Each religion is best for its own adherents." How can Buddhism be good for Buddhist women when woman has no place in Buddhist's plan? How can Confucianism be good for Confucianists when the Chinese contempt for girls, resting upon a religious basis, leads to the habitual custom of infanticide? How can Hinduism be good for Hindus when 26,000,000 widows in India to-day are, by the laws of their religion con-

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demned to life-long abuse? How can Mohammedanism be good for Mohammedans when according to the teaching of their Prophet, polygamy and divorce threaten every one of Islam's 100,000,000 veiled women?

Another view held by these "broad-minded, charitable" people is that, "Each religion is a way to God." Here again is a grave contradiction. "The God of the Hindus is not the God of the Christian." If the one idea of God is correct then the other is utterly false, and Hinduism with 330,000,000 gods is certainly not on the way to find our God.

Confucianism has no teaching concerning God, and Buddhism teaches that there is no God. Robert E. Speer very pertinently asks, "How can a religion that annihilates God be a way to God?" Another view is that the true and final religion is to be the result of an evolutionary process; that each religion in turn will become extant and give place to that which is better until the perfect religion is reached. If this were true, it would seem that each succeeding religion would be superior to the one preceding it. It would naturally follow that Mohammedanism which is the youngest of all world religions would be the best. This is not admitted by any critics, east or west.

Again, if this were true we should see some signs of the growth of these ideals in the non-Christian world. Instead we see the very opposite. It would not be hard to prove that every one of the non-Christian religions is less pure than at the beginning. The earlier writings of the Hindus are comparatively free from the vile, sensuous thoughts of later writings and if we may trust their history, the earlier Hindus had better morals than those of the twentieth century.

Buddha was a real reformer in his day and much of what he taught was true but Buddhism during all the centuries has been getting farther away from Buddhist ideals.

Mohammedanism was intended to be a reform over the corrupt Christianity and Judaism of the day but the prophet got farther and farther away from high ideals every year of his life. Mohammedanism has never grown better than it was in the time of Mohammed. Even Animism is plainly a fall from a higher conception of God.

The only religion that is absolutely true is Christianity; the only religion that is good for every nation is Christianity; the only religion that is a way to God is Christianity; the only religion that is perfect and final is Christianity. Because no other religion teaches of a God who is love, a God who is a Father with whom men may commune, and because sin is a heinous thing and redemption, blood-bought.

In Christianity sin is a violation of God's law, while in non-Christian religions sin is ceremonial defilement. The non-Christian faiths prescribe prayers, penances and pilgrimages to atone for wrong doing. Christianity teaches man that his sins may be washed away in the blood of the Lamb. It says, "Repent and be baptized and thy sins shall be forgiven thee," and "Go and sin no more." Christianity offers man peace and joy in this life and a place of eternal happiness at God's right hand where there are pleasures forevermore.

CHRISTIANITY'S CLAIMS.

Christianity is the only religion that attempts to be universal. From the time that the founder of Christianity uttered His marching orders there have always been some of His disciples who have con-

sidered the "uttermost part of the earth" as the boundary of the Kingdom.

At the present time no other religion is to be found in every land. Confucianism is an ethnic religion. It has always been confined to the region of its birth. Hinduism is also ethnic, never having attempted to go beyond the borders of India. Early Buddhism was missionary in character and spreading eastward, was adopted by large numbers in China and Japan, but Buddhism to-day is stagnant and on the whole, decadent. Mohammedanism is Christianity's only rival in this regard. The teaching of Mohammed was that his was the final religion for all mankind and he sent his armies forward to conquer the world, by peaceable means if possible, or by the sword if necessary. Since the time that Mohammedanism met defeat in Europe it has never attempted to convert Europe. Neither is it making any effort of any significance in Japan or America. But Christianity is going forward to make good its claim to universality. It is setting forth to count earth's millions, to apportion the fields, to count the cost, to call for the workers, to collect the treasurers, to carry out this great plan of its Founder.

Christianity claims to change the nature of man. To become a Christian means more than to become a Mohammedan, for example. Mohammedanism has made converts among many peoples in many lands. To the low caste Hindu, Mohammedanism offers entrance to this great brotherhood. The Hindu's moral nature is not in the least improved. He may still lie if he remembers that a lie is justifiable "in time of war, to reconcile friends and to women." To the pagans of Central Africa, Mohammedanism says, "Come, join us; black men are welcome in our ranks. We have a wide religion; if you want to practice polygamy you have the liberty; if you want to continue in your fetish worship, God is merciful, there is little objection so long as you are faithful in repeating the creed, keeping the fasts and observing the times of prayer."

But Christianity is very specific in insisting that its followers must put away sin and live holy lives.

"Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor. .... Let him that stole steal no more.....Let no corrupt communications proceed out of your mouth. .... If any man be in Christ he is a new creature. .... Put on the new man which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. Like as he who called you is holy, be ye yourselves also holy in all manner of living; because it is written ye shall be holy for I am holy."

Christianity has a rich spiritual content. There is nothing the child of God would take in exchange for his confidence and trust in God. William T. Ellis has, this past year, been writing a series of articles in the *Continent*, entitled "On the Trail of the World's Unrest." After visiting many lands and interviewing many leading men he concludes that throughout the Orient there is great political and social unrest. Above all the teaching of the West has shattered the faith of tens of thousands in their old religion, which has led to great spiritual unrest.

To these troubled ones Christianity says, "Through our Great Teacher you may find rest, for He has promised rest to the weary and to every troubled one peace that passeth understanding."

CHRISTIANITY'S SOCIAL SYSTEM.

The superiority of Christianity is seen in its social system. "It is the one reli-

gion of brotherhood asserting the unity of humanity."

In Confucianism, brotherhood is destroyed by pride. Caste makes brotherhood impossible in Hinduism. Buddhism attempted to give the world a brotherhood but did not get far enough away from Brahmanism to give equality to all men. The Mohammedan brotherhood is limited to those who will accept the faith of Islam. "To the Jew every other man was a Gentile; to the Greek every other was a barbarian; to the Mohammedan every other was an infidel but to the Christian every other man is a brother."

RUTH WHITE,
Baby Daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. P. White, Manhattan, Kansas.

(We assume the privilege to place this picture of little Ruth on our pages, emphasizing the truth of the influences of Christian home life as so well presented in this article.—Editors.

The value placed on childhood is one of the distinguishing features of Christianity. Other religions have nothing to say or only a few insignificant things about the childhood of their founders. In non-Christian lands the Slaughter of the Innocents is appalling. Through ignorance, lack of sanitation and lack of care the greater number of babies die in infancy. More than that, if the sex should be undesirable methods are devised for their destruction. Why was it that even within the last few years there were to be found in China, towers, kept up at government expense, where superfluous girl babies might be thrown? Why was it that, according to government census reports, one province in India had tigers of such refined taste that they carried off girl babies only, to the number of many hundreds in a single year? Why is it in your home and mine the baby boy and the baby girl are equally cared for and loved and nurtured and tanght? Why? Because Jesus Christ Himself was a little child. Because, as our Teacher, He took a little child and set him in the midst and said, "Of such is the kingdom of heaven."

Christianity has given woman a unique place in the world. If women of this land could only understand how Christianity has made them to differ from the women of non-Christian lands, there would not be one found who would not break her alabaster box at the feet of Jesus.

It is a humiliating fact to face that a few thousand silly women in this land are followers of the yellow-robed Swamis who have come here to teach Oriental mysticism. What has paganism done for the women of the East that our American women should want to follow their teachings? At a Drawing-room gathering in New York City, some years ago, Swami Vivekamanda was interrupted by Julia Ward Howe, who said, "Swami, why do not your women come to America and tell us of your religion?" He re-

plied, "Oh, our women do not like to leave their own country." No, to be sure they do not, neither do they like to leave their own houses—when the guard is at the door. Hinduism and Mohammedanism both have condemned thousands upon thousands of the higher classes of women to perpetual seclusion. Why did not the Swami bring a child wife, a mother of eleven or twelve years of age, or a shaven widow to show us what Hinduism does for women?

There are many wrongs inflicted upon women in Christian lands, but none of them are sanctioned by Christian teaching. In non-Christian lands the wrongs inflicted on womanhood are because of the teachings of the religious leaders. The Hindu father seeks to marry his daughter early because he lays up merit for himself. Mohammedanism through polygamy and divorce has degraded woman with an infinite degradation. Buddhism is less harsh to women than other religions but Buddha who is called the gentle saint had no place for woman in his scheme. He taught that no woman, as a woman, can be saved. She must first be re-born a man before she can possibly have hope of reaching Nirvana.

In the tongues of the non-Christian peoples there is no word for home because there is no equivalent idea in the mind. Christianity produces a home; Christianity protects this home; Christianity makes woman the queen of this home.

CHRISTIANITY'S BOOK.

The superiority of Christianity's Bible is a promise and a prophecy that it is to be the Universal sacred book of mankind. It appeals to the interest of every class. Shepherds and farmers, merchants and sailors, tentmakers and carpenters, kings and peasants find life portrayed for them. People of every nation and clime find something they can understand in the reference to heat and cold, snow and frost and rain, mountains and valleys and rivers, harvests and famines and deserts.

It reflects also the inner man. In the quiet of one's own room one can see his secret thoughts revealed. It is an honest book too and men's sins are not hidden when their life story is told.

Its divine inspiration is clearly evident from the fact that thirty-six writers through a period of sixteen centuries carried out one single thought, the love of God revealed in the redemption of the race through the atonement of Jesus Christ.

The Bible loses none of its charm or simplicity by being translated into other languages. In fact, the Oriental tongues often enrich and interpret the thought. Men of the East say that their books are spoiled and weakened by being translated into English. For centuries the Koran was not allowed to speak in an infidel tongue. Arabic scholars among the Mohammedans insist that the vague, diffuse, style of the English version of the Koran is due to the difficulties of translation. Our Bible speaks the same messages in every language.

The Bible loses none of its charm or evil spirits. Religious leaders of non-Christian faiths write passages from their sacred books, on paper, encase them in leather and sell them to the superstitious people for the purpose of keeping off the evil eye or warding off disease. Our Bible brings life and light to darkened minds. It lifts men up and leads them to walk in the footsteps of Him who came to bring Light into the world.

This book contains such deep truths that the wisest men of our time find delight in searching for its hidden treasures, yet it is so plain that a little child

can read it with delight. Likewise the simple-minded folk all over the world can grasp the story of God's great gift to men. My heart grows warm as I think of humble, ignorant women in Africa and Turkey and Arabia; in India and China and Korea in Japan and South America and the Islands of the Sea, sitting on the floor, laboriously spelling out word by word the great message, "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

CHRISTIANITY'S LEADER.

What shall we say of Christianity's Leader? Shall we compare Him with the founders of other faiths? Yes, He loses nothing by comparison. His perfect life appears more beautiful when held up beside the lives of imperfect men and we are led to exclaim, "He is the one altogether lovely, the chiefest among ten thousand." It is well to remember that Confucius never claimed to be anything more than a man; Buddha never claimed to be anything more than a man; Mohammed never claimed to be anything more than a man. Jesus Christ claimed to be God and He made good His claim. The wisdom of Confucius, the gentleness of Buddha, the strength of Mohammed are all excelled in the life of Jesus. Other religious leaders are criticised by people all over the world, but from no part of the non-Christian world comes one breath of criticism against the life of our Jesus.

The years of His ministry were filled with ceaseless service for suffering humanity, and the wonderful and miraculous works he performed testify to His divinity. The artist Dore has given to the world his vision of the Christ in his great painting, "The Vale of Tears." "At the head of the deep valley stands Christ and all the light of the picture shines from Him. All kinds of human suffering are gathered there for Him to heal. The lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the sick are restored. A dying mother holds out her child to Him. Conquerors hand Him their swords and kings take off their crowns before Him. It is the vision of the redemption of the world."

There is nothing more wonderful about the Christ than the fact that He lives in the hearts of men to-day. He who was dead is alive forevermore, and man may have His indwelling presence continually to guide, restrain, comfort and cheer and transform him into the image divine.

Unconsciously the whole world is acknowledging the supremacy of the King of kings. For centuries, China has counted time by the dynasties of her rulers. For centuries the Mohammedans have dated every letter and document, "Anno Hegira, "In the Year of the Flight" of Mohammed, but to-day the educated people of the world in every land write at the head of their letters, "In the Year of Our Lord, 1912."

It is not too much to say that the "one magnetic center in the world of thought and religion to-day is Jesus Christ."

CHRISTIANITY'S FRUITS.

The best test of a religion is its fruitage. Christianity can show multitudes of men and women whose lives testify to the power of the indwelling Christ. Dr. Barrows says, "Any adequate knowledge of Christian lands and of Christian history must fill the non-Christian mind with amazement at the variety and force of that manhood and womenhood which are the supreme results of the Gospel. O, what a galaxy shines in the heaven of Christian civilization! The kingliest men and the queenliest women of all time

Clustering around the Star which has become a Sun!"

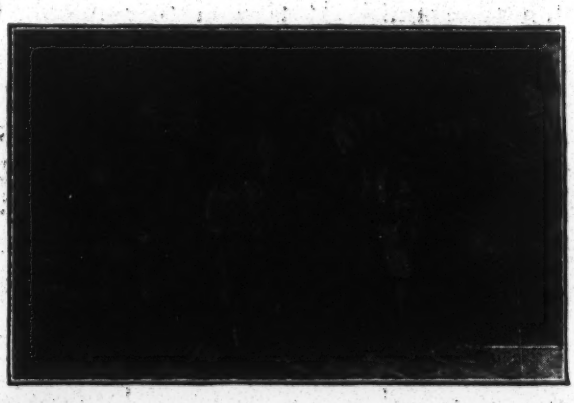
The time would fail to tell of men and women like Martin Luther, John Knox and the Wesleys, of Dwight L. Moody, Ballington Booth, Hudson Taylor and John G. Paton, of Francis E. Willard, Mary Lyon and Mary Reed, whose lives are the best exponent of Christian teaching.

More than this, Christianity produces the same type in any land. The Gospel changes the lives and purposes of men, whether they are dwellers in the Arctics or tropics, whether they live on the banks of the Mississippi or the Nile or the Ganges.

From among the high-caste and low-caste, educated and uneducated in non-Christian lands have come some of the choicest examples of transformed lives: Neesima of Japan, Pastor Hsi of China, Anshalian of Egypt, Paul of the Congo, Kamil Abd-el Messiah of Arabia, Imad-ud-Din, Ramabai and Lilavati Singh of India, Dr. Esther Kim Pak of Korea and thousands of others living to-day bear testimony to the supernatural power of Christianity.

What is true in the lives of individuals is true in the lives of communities. We sometimes boast of our superior civilization. That Protestant countries have the best type of civilization is unquestioned. This is not because we are white, nor because we speak a certain language, nor because we are unusually clever, but because the teaching of Jesus Christ has profoundly influenced so many thousands of individual lives. Very imperfectly do we show to the world what a Christian nation ought to be but all that is good emanates from Jesus Christ.

If we were to take away all the direct and indirect fruits of Christianity in the United States how much better would we



TRIBES OF BURMA YAWYIUS.
(Uncivilized and Unchristianized.)
"HOW CAN A RELIGION THAT ANNIHILATES THE TRUE GOD FIND A WAY TO GOD?"

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CONTRASTED LIVES — NON-CHRISTIAN AND CHRISTIAN FAITHS.
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be than the non-Christian world? Take away all our Christians, all our Christian homes, all our churches, all our Christian schools and colleges; take away our hospitals and physicians, our asylums for the afflicted, and refuges for the unfortunate and we would have a condition approaching that of Africa and Asia untouched by the Light of the World.

Wherever Christianity goes there grow up the same institutions that we have in Christian lands. Gospel teaching has made a trail of light around the world. Vanishing idolatries are supplanted by schools and hospitals and churches and happy homes and law-abiding communities.

CHRISTIANITY'S TRIUMPH.

A firm conviction that Christianity is the final triumphant world religion is absolutely essential to the missionary enterprise. It is very necessary that the messenger who goes out to the foreign field believe with all his heart and soul that Christianity is the only adequate religion for dying men.

Imagine if you can, the missionary approaching people in this way: "I bring to you a new religion. It is one of many religions. I cannot say that it is perfect or supernatural but I think I can show you that it is a step higher than your own."

What man would be foolish enough to forsake the faith of his family and endure persecution to follow one who was not convinced of the superiority of his own religion.

The church will not respond to the support of the missionary cause unless there is the deep abiding conviction that the whole world needs Christianity because it is the only faultless religion. Any conception short of this will fail to lead men to make any serious effort to evangelize the world.

Christianity as we have shown has the highest and purest ideas of God and man's relation to Him. Christianity's Book and Christianity's Leader are incomparable and Christianity lived day by day transforms men into the image divine and brings "heaven on earth."

Christianity has no narrowing limitations but is adapted to all mankind. There is no evil in the teaching of Jesus Christ. His followers may and do fail to measure up to the standard taught by our Lord but His speech is perfect, His acts are faultless, His life divine.

"Christianity is final because there is no good beyond it and no evil in it and because it cleanses and crowns all the life and thought of man."

The non-Christian world has been searching for centuries for a satisfying god and for a satisfying book. Christianity offers these to all mankind. Nothing higher or better has ever been found than what the Bible reveals. This prophesies the ultimate triumph of Christianity.

An ever-increasing number of Christians believe that Christianity is the final and absolute religion of the world. Believing this and constrained by the love of Christ, men and women are moving out into every part of the world to teach men the wonderful story of God's great gift.

There are many signs of the coming triumph. No man living to-day is educated well enough to read even the alphabets of the languages into which Christianity's book has been translated. This book is profoundly affecting the thought of the East. A few years ago a viceroy of China ordered that within a year a copy of the Bible be placed in every home among his millions of subjects. Only recently, Hichmet Pasha, Minister of Education in Egypt, ordered from our

Mission Book-store 460 Bibles, 400 testaments, 20 Concordances and 20 Reference Bibles, to be used in the Government schools. Surely many minds and hearts will be deeply impressed by the reading of these Bibles.

A learned Brahman and orthodox Hindu, said, "Of one thing I am convinced, do what you will, oppose it as we may, it is the Christian's Bible which will sooner or later work the renovation or regeneration of India."

Christianity is alive all over the world to-day and is planning to move forward until the last man has heard the message of salvation. Every year the figures in the statistical tables of Christendom rise higher and higher. The Christian Church planted in all lands is increasing in strength and Christian converts, catching a vision of the Master's plan are becoming messengers to their own people.

Look off to the Pacific Islands and see the one time cannibals, now devout Christians; look at the unlearned tribes of Central Africa put in possession of written languages; witness India's laws changed for the betterment of the conditions of women; see China's mighty revolution and Japan's marvelous progress. All these and many more things testify to the power of Christian ideals.

It is a cause for great rejoicing that the leaders and reformers in Asiatic lands are largely men who have been under the influence of Christian teaching.

Even Moslem lands so long defiant are touched by the radiance of the Cross and on Lebanon's mountains and by Egypt's Riverside, the true Light is beginning to shine. If Christianity is true it must be universal. The program of Christ included every creature and the believing church must accept this program. Its triumph is assured because Christianity's Founder has never failed in any undertaking and we have His word for it that "all kings shall fall down before Him, all nations shall serve Him. His name shall endure forever and ever."

Jesus is not going to share this world with Confucius or Buddha or Mohammed. He shall reign from sea to sea and from the rivers unto the ends of the earth.

"Christianity sets out for victory. .... It cannot conquer except in love, but in love it intends to conquer. It means to fill the world. It must do so in order that the Nations may have their Desire and the World its Light."

QUESTIONS.

1. Why is it desirable to compare Christianity with other religions?
2. Describe the superiority of the Christian conception of God?
3. Compare the Christian and non-Christian ideas of sin and salvation.
4. What does the Bible do for the individual life?
5. Name some social conditions that are peculiarly Christian.
6. What grounds have we for claiming that Christianity is the final religion of the world?
7. Do you believe that Christianity will triumph over all other religions? When?

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A TWENTIETH CENTURY MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE

THE "WORLD IN CINCINNATI."

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(home on furlough.)

On the 6th of April at 10 p. m., the above mentioned great Missionary Exposition came to a close. It had been running for four weeks.

Having had the privilege of attending it, I have been asked to write a short account of it for the Magazine, and take great pleasure in doing so.

I understand that Cincinnati is the third place in this country where this Exposition has been held; Providence, R. I. and Boston, Mass. being the other two places; and the plan is to hold it in Baltimore in the Fall, and in Chicago next Spring. The movement originated in England and the Exposition was held over there before coming to this country.

In Cincinnati, the 'World'' was held in a commodious building called the Music Hall, situated near the center of the city. The building was well adapted for the purpose, being divided into three parts. The central part of the building was a large auditorium with a seating capacity of 3,000, and an ample stage upon which twice every day (Sabbaths excepted) during the entire Exposition, was enacted the beautiful and thrilling ''Pageant of Darkness and Light.'' The left wing of the building was called the ''Hall of the Home Land,'' and in this section were presented different phases of the work on the frontier, among the American and Alaskan Indians, the Mountaineers, and the great army of Alien population which comes to our shores through Ellis Island. The right wing of the building was called the ''Hall of the Foreign Lands.'' In here on the main floor were represented Japan, China, Korea, Tibet, India, and Burmah, and on the second floor, Africa, Persia, Turkey and Palestine, and the ''Hall of Religions,'' also the Medical and Leper Sections.

The ''Pageant of Darkness and Light'' was the great attraction of the Exposition. It consisted of five episodes, one each from North, South, East and West, and a grand processional. The most touching scene was that in the South episode when Livingstone, at the earnest entreaty of his African converts, declines Stanley's invitation to return with him to the civilized world, till his work is done. The East episode was also exceedingly good. It represented some of the difficulties in the way of women embracing Christianity in India, the evils of child-marriage and the awful custom of burning widows on the funeral pyres of their dead husbands, and the episode closed wth the historic fact of the abolition of that atrocious rite by the British Government.

My time was spent, of course, in the India section, and a description of it will give the reader some idea of what the other sections were like as well. In the India Section there were about a dozen different exhibits, all of which were full of interest. On the left as one entered was a beautiful colored painting, forming the partition screen between the India and Burmah Sections, about 25 feet long and 10 feet high, of the Isabella Thoburn College for girls in Lucknow, India. A little further along was a faquir's umbrella and bed of spikes upon which he had sat doing penance for thirteen years. Then came a cobbler's outfit with a little stand on it supporting

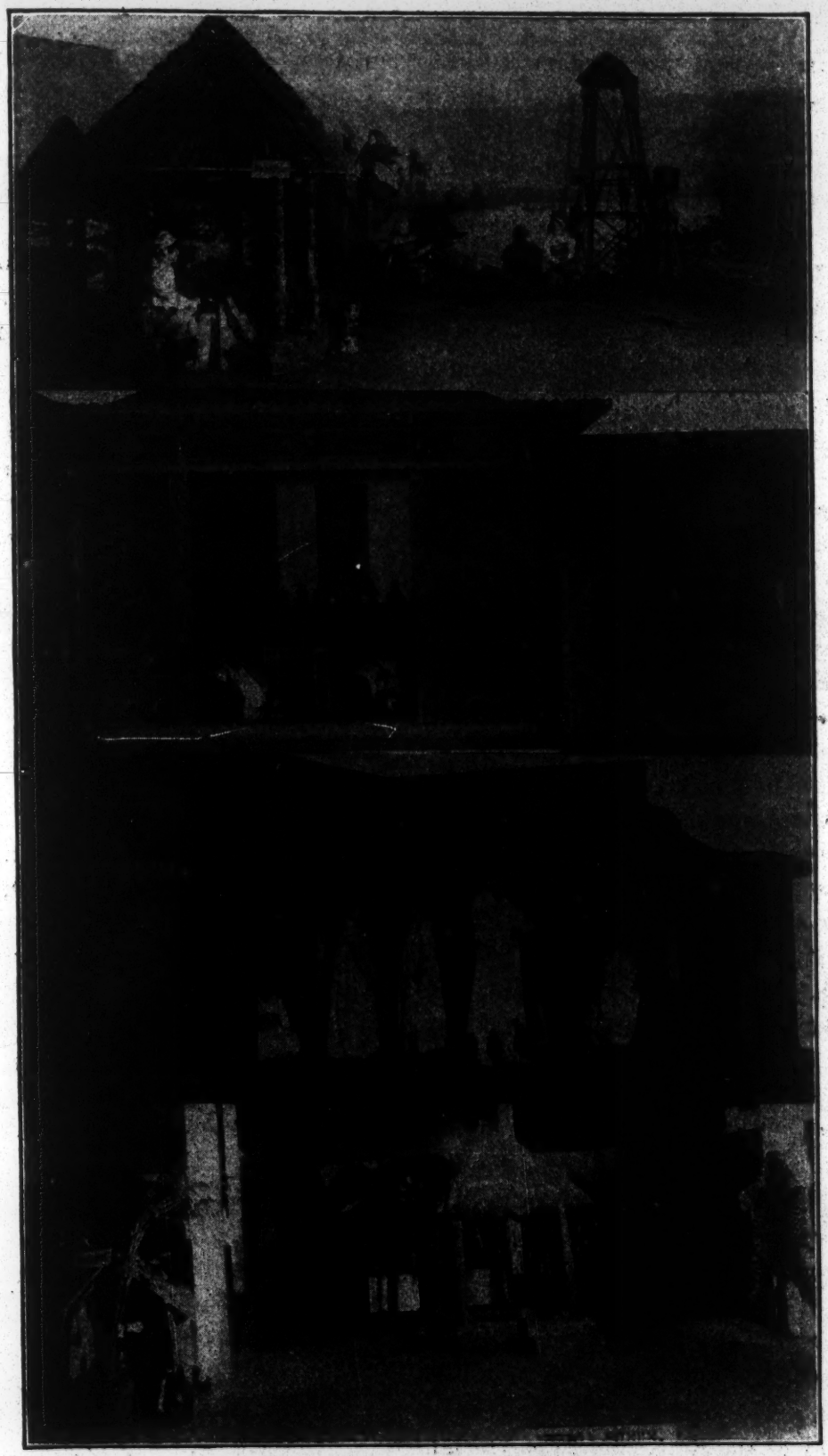
a Bible, and a map of the world tacked up beside the cobbler's seat, on the wall This was to represent the cobbler Carey's outfit. A little further on was a shop in a native bazaar, and a little further along still, was a most interesting exhibit from Assam. Rev. O. L. Swanson, for 19 years a missionary in that part of India, had a model of his mission Compound, showing the buildings, trees, garden, wild tigers, elephants and other things to be found in that wild country. Next was the Hindoo pantheon, showing a few representations, some in colored pictures and some in marble images, of a few of the 333,000,000 of the gods and godesses of India. Next was a small booth exhibiting curios or things in common use in the every day life of the people of India. Next was a picture the same size as that of Isabella Thoburn College, of the Towers of Silence, near Bombay; and next was a life-sized Temple of Kali, with a facsimile of the monstrous image inside, and to one side of this temple was the monkey shrine with the hideous image of Hanuman, the monkey-god, inside of it, and last but not least was the Zenana house, showing the compartments of a well-to-do native Indian's home where he keeps in strict seclusion his own and his son's, and it may be his son's son's wives. In the center of this large room around which all these exhibits are artistically arranged, is a village well. Overshadowing the well are some palm trees, and underneath these trees are a couple of wayside shrines. Beside the well are placed some large water jars, the kind carried by the women on their heads.

The Exposition was open from 10 a. m. till 10 p. m. every day of the week, except Sabbath, and every 20 minutes of this time there was some event of interest going on in some section of the great building. In the India Section a number of interesting demonstrations took place at times specified on a general program, which was distributed free to people on entering the building. The following were some of these demonstrations: "The Wail of a Hindoo Mother," "Eating a Native Meal of Curry and Rice," "Bazaar Preaching," "Scene in a Zanana House," "Kali Shrine Worship" and "Worship at the Monkey Shrine." One demonstration which was perhaps as instructive as any was, "Scenes at a Village Well."

The Exposition as a whole, though in the nature of the case, lacking in many details, was comprehensive and wonderful in design, and interesting and instructive in its execution. Over 5,000 members of some 200 churches of Cincinnati voluntarily took up the work of acting as stewards and stewardesses, each one paying one dollar for their entrance ticket besides paying for their own costumes, and underwent a course of training varying all the way from nine to three months previous to the opening of the Exposition in order to fit them for the work, and involving a course of reading and study for the purpose of familiarizing themselves with conditions, methods of work and results of the great missionary enterprises at present being carried on in different parts of the earth.

The interest in this Exposition was not confined alone to the city of Cincinnati, but extended to many of the towns and cities within a radius of 150 miles, and one of the most enjoyable experiences of the writer was that of meeting personal friends and acquaintances from Xenia, Oxford, Hamilton, Richmond, and many other places.

One feature of the Exposition was the addresses and talks delivered by missionaries from the home and foreign lands.



"THE WORLD IN CINCINNATI." *

AFRICA SCENE.— Blacksmith Shop and Fisherman Hut.
CHINA SCENE.— Temple with Worshipers.
KOREA SCENE.— Farm House and Temple.
AFRICA SCENE.— Native Huts.

* Read From Top Down.

The India Section was perhaps as numerously supplied with missionary speakers as any. There were eight of us, men and lady missionaries, from different parts of India. The United Presbyterian Church was represented by Rev. H. C. Chambers and myself.

The missionary speakers were all hospitably entertained by the churches of Cincinnati. Their lodging was arranged for in homes and boarding-houses, and they had dinners and suppers together at the Hamilton County Memorial Building, the ladies of the different congregation serving the tables each in their turn on an appointed day. The Memorial Building, put up by the County at a cost of over $250,000 and beautifully furnished and appointed in every way, was placed at the disposal of the churches for this purpose by the Commissioners in charge. Our meeting together twice each day at this building for meals gave us a rare opportunity to get acquainted with each other and the social enjoyment and Christian fellowship of it all will not soon be forgotten.

The benefits of the Exposition will surely be great and wide-spread. The interest of the public was aroused and it was very common to hear such remarks as these: "I never before realized that so much mission work was being done in different parts of the world," and "Missions never interested me before but *now* I will always feel a keen interest in them." Th great army of stewards and stewardesses were deeply interested and impressed, and a large Continuation Committee was formed with Dr. David McKinney of the Reformed Presbyterian Church as President, to carry on the good work so well begun by the Exposition.

Speaking from personal experience I should judge that the missionaries were greatly benefited also by the Exposition. Every great enterprise has both "theory" and "practice" in connection with it. In the foreign missionary enterprise, missionaries get plenty of *practice,* but some of us at least, don't get so much time or opportunity to go into the *theories* of things. The Exposition supplied the theoretical lack in many instances. To give an instance: "The practical effect of Shiv-worship is painfully evident on all sides in our mission life and work in India, but I never before learned so much of that which is written concerning the dirty beast, till I went to the 'World in Cincinnati.'" The same was true of Kali and her worship, as well as Mamman, Krishen and others. And yet the half, yea the hundredth part, nor the thousandth part has never been and can never be told.

Then another great benefit to us all was the broad outlook whch we got. In a great inter-denominational Exposition like this we get acquainted with the magnificent work that is being accomplished by God's Spirit through other denominations besides our own. There is inspiration in success, and to see the succcss of great enterprise of carrying out our Master's great commission, certainly inspires us to greater faith and courage and effort.

157 Lee Street, Atlanta Ga.

EDITORS' NOTE — By M. E. M.

(Modesty prevents Mr. Gordon saying what it is our pleasure to add. The India booth had, as Mr. Gordon stated, many representatives from other denominations which made it a place where there was always a crowd of interested listeners. Especially faithful and cordial to talk and lecture were our representatives from India at home on furlough, Revs. Mr. Chambers and Mr. Gordon.) No adequate conception of the labor and talent

required to present the missionary enterprise of this century can be given in a word picture. Africa was one of great interest and pathos as well. We have placed a few of the scenes on the pages of this number as an object lesson.

The work required, by those in the locality of the "World," is compensated in its reflex influences. Young men and young women, older men and older women, many children volunteered to study missions. The result was that whether one or many stopped at their place of assignment to investigate curios or observe the costumed stewards, they gave to all at all times with interest and care a good idea of the character and effects and influences of non-religions represented. It was simply a scene hour after hour that was marvelous. And the effect was to show in contrast what we so little appreciate, our own blessed Christian faith and its influences around us.

The study for this number surely calls all of this to our mind, namely: what we owe to Christianity. The after effects upon a church and community presenting this educational scheme of Christian missions must be of value. At least 10,000 persons were obliged to know some feature of the great whole of this project for extending the mission problem. No adequate calculation can be made of the results of this missionary enterprise. If many cities make preparation for the exhibit, there must be a multiplication of those studying missions. To have an appreciation of what is represented, the student of missions learns more and the casual visitor is quickened to find out how to ask questions.

Though a long and faithful service must be contributed by a large number the compensation to the church and the individual is very great. The community is better for such an orderly intelligent enthusiastic patronage of the "World."

After such an Exposition of modern missions what is to be the work of the churches and the community contributing so much time and preparation for its success may be partly answered in the following circular:

THE CONTINUATION COMMITTEE AND ITS WORK.

In order that the interest in world-wide missions aroused by "The World in Cincinnati" may be adequately conserved and directed into the regular channels of Church activity, a strong committee has been meeting in weekly conference for the past three months.

This committee has outlined for the churches a plan of organization and a program of work. The week April 21 to April 28, will be recognized among all the churches as "Organization Week," during which each congregation will be thoroughly organized for the continuance of missionary interest among its members. The weeks will be inaugurated by a Thanks-giving Service in Music Hall on Sabbath afternoon, April 21, at which time a report of the exposition will be presented, and the program of future activity outlined. The week will be concluded by what will be known as "Continuation Sabbath," April 28, on which day pastors will preach on "The Program of Continuation Work for My Church."

As soon as the churches are thoroughly organized, the committee will take up their work, which will include an Every-Member Canvass for subscriptions to mission work on a systematic basis in all churches that have not yet undertaken the same, the provision for missionary education in every department of the church, the promotion of public and private prayer in the interest of home and foreign missions, and a campaign of social service with respect to the needy sections of Greater Cincinnati.

In regard to the latter, an encouraging beginning has already been made. A substantial sum has been contributed to finance this campaign which will be largely augmented in the immediate future. The various institutions for social welfare within the city have been canvassed relative to their need of workers and it is hoped to at once supply this need.

It is the expectation of the Continuation Committee that the truth of its motto will be demonstrated to the entire city, viz: "The End of the Exposition is the Beginning of the Enterprise."

FOREIGN MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE.

EGYPT.

A Good Letter From Mrs. Harvey.

In company with Dr. Watson and Miss Thompson, I made a visit to the Fayoum in January. It is a sad pleasure to go back alone to where we spent ten happy years—our first home. We spent the first night in Madeevot where Dr. Watson preached to a crowded house, from the text, "How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?" He preached with all the energy and vigor of a young man, to a very attentive audience. On the next day, Saturday, we went to Sinoris where Rev. Shenorde Hanna has been pastor for over thirty-six years, loved by the people of the town and surrounding villages. Dr. Watson preached on Saturday night and on Sabbath morning two powerful sermons. In the evening he administered the ordinance of baptism to eleven infants. Pray that this faithful servant of the Lord may long be spared to preach to the people of this land, and to break to them the Bread of Life. They are very happy just now, as their son, Dr. Charles, is with them. We trust and pray that his visit may be the means of awakening our pastors to more earnest work for the Master. At a late meeting of the Presbytery one of our native pastors resigned his charge, saying that God had shown him that it was his duty to spend his time in working especially among Mohammedans. He said he did not know how he was to live, but he was sure the Lord would provide for him. His case seemed so plain, that the Presbytery granted his request. We all need the prayers of God's people for a blessing done by His servants in this land.

Cairo, Egypt.

DEAR FRIENDS:

No doubt many of the readers of the Budget are interested to know more about our Moslem convert, *Abd-el Messieh*, of whom we wrote some time ago. After awaiting his trial three long months, it came and he was sentenced to prison for two years. Poor old man. It did seem hard and he has suffered a great deal of persecution no doubt, for to leave his religion was the greatest crime he could commit in the eyes of the Mohammedan people by whom he is surrounded, and they are allowed to vent out their spite upon him in any way they see fit. He is obliged to be quiet or some new charge will be brought against him, only adding to his trouble. His experience certainly proves that there is much in Christianity, when one can bear all that he has borne for Christ's sake. At first when he was taken to prison, I confess I was afraid that he would recant, but now I feel ashamed that my faith was not stronger. There is one comforting thought, and that is that the time he spent in prison before the trial will be deducted from the two years, and also a certain portion of time deducted for good behavior. Yet he is an old man and it is a hard life for him. The missionary here is allowed to preach in the prison once in the month, to Christian prisoners, as they are called. This gives an opportunity for which we are glad, to see him and endeavor to say some comforting words, and especially to point him once more to the One who has suffered so unjustly for our sakes. A short time ago the missionary and a Moslem Sheikh chanced to be in the prison, on the same errand at the same time. The man in charge volunteered a bit of sympathy, because the Christian audience was so small only about twenty persons—while the Moslem had what remained of the eight hundred prisoners. This seems a very large number of human souls almost if not altogether beyond the chance of spiritual help. But, oh! The new recruits that are coming on to take their places in the near future, boys in their

teens. You see them everywhere, in little groups gambling and smoking, smoking and gambling. This destructive habit is becoming so common in all circles that one feels they must cry out with Asa of old in 2 Chron. 14:11.

Yours sincerely,

M. R. HART.

ZAGAZIG, EGYPT, February 19, 1912.

The Presbytery of the Delta met at the Kulali Church on March 1, and ordained and installed Rev. Tadrus Nasair.

The church was too small so they erected a tent in the yard which accomodated several hundred. Of course many went from curiosity, as it was something entirely new. Neighbors looked in from windows and walls. Mr. Tadrus is one of our best young men. He was early left an orphan and was educated by Mr. Mickhail Feltis of Senabo. He married from his own village, an only child. He was told that her mother would have to live with him. A native friend remarked, "Mr. Tadrus is very good and so is his wife, but the mother is the best of the three." She is very good at visiting among the people. Mr. Tadrus is one of our best preachers, and bids fair to be a good pastor. We trust that the prayers offered for him will be answered and that a great blessing will rest on his work.

The meeting of the Association closed last week. Some changes have been made in the location of the missionaries. It seems strange that no woman physician can be found for the hospital at Tanta. Dr. Pollock has been appointed there for the time, but of course had to leave his work on the "Allegheny." The hospital at Tanta is for women and children and the women much prefer a woman physician.

The Synod of the Nile is meeting this week in Minieh.

We are all rejoicing over the presence with us of Dr. M. G. Kyle, the President of our Board, and Dr. Charles Watson, our Secretary. We consider it a treat to have one member of our Board with us, but two at one time is more than we expected. We pray that their visit may not only be a blessing to us but also to the home church.

INDIA.

KANGAH DOGRAN, PUNJAB,
February 26, 1912.

DEAR FRIENDS:

In our itinerary these days, we are visiting large fairs, horse-shows, or worship at some one's tomb. These afford an opportunity of reaching hundreds of men with the Gospel message. During the days of the Fair, the roads in all directions are filled with crowds of men, some traveling quietly, others singing or playing flute or drum. Some ride on horses and are clothed in gaily colored silks and velvets; the humble ones must walk, but all are dressed in such gala attire as their purses allow.

The streets and roads are lined with stalls where venders of things good to eat, pleasant to the eyes, and to be desired to make one wise display their wares and loot the purchasers.

There are also to be seen magicians, snake-charmers, street musicians, bears, monkeys and beggars; while the circus tent draws a continual crowd, and late into the night are heard the quavers of the professional singers. The holy men, too, are here in great numbers and reap a veritable harvest from those who think to purchase merit for themselves. There are also a few side-shows, such as a Ferris wheel, run by hand, and other rough and crude imitations of Western Coney Island joys.

Into the midst of this motley crowd the missionary goes with his preaching tent and a half dozen helpers, with tracts and Gospels for sale. Here some men come out of curiosity, some to oppose, but God alone knows how deep and far-reaching are the effects of the seed sown. The women of India never attend a public fair, so we remain in our tents to meet those who come out to us. So far, we have been blest in our efforts. Many women have come to us. To be sure some have come out of curiosity to see how the white folk live and desire to hear only such things as, why we put gold in our teeth, etc. Other gentle, soft-eyed beauties of higher caste slip away to us while their husbands are at the fair and sit with uneasy glances, so fearful lest their husbands should return and find them away, that they cannot listen

Should sweeper women, by chance, attempt to come in while they are there, it causes little less than a panic. Contact with these vile creatures who eat the sacred cow would defile them. (What a dreadful thing caste is!) But some come to us with a real heart hunger, and it is indeed a joy to be the messenger to such. Some have listened with real conviction and have confessed faith in Christ then and there. Will you not pray with us for those who were convicted of the truth and who desire to confess Christ before men, that the way might open up before them.

Yours in His service,

JANE E. MARTIN.

IN CAMP, PASRUR, SIALKOTE DIST.
PUNJAB, INDIA, February 22, 1912.

DEAR FRIENDS:

Camping season is drawing to a close as it will soon be too warm for living in tents. Miss Kyle is preparing to start on her furlough in a few days.

These winter months in the district have been a time of rejoicing. We are told that there is joy in heaven over one sinner that repents. The Christian community of Pasrur district has had an increase in three months of *nine hundred souls*. Truly one may plant and another may water, but it is God that gives the increase. Many have been the sowers in Pasrur, and the laborers have cultivated the soil. In due time, God is giving the increase. Some inquirers have waited three or four years for an *opportunity to be taught*. They have considered themselves Christians and have given up most of their heathen practices. With an increased force this year, it has been possible to teach some of these waiting ones so that they could be baptized. During the month of December, Rev. W. T. Anderson and the Misses Lawrence and Hamilton from Rawal Pindi district joined forces with our and work was carried on strenuously.

One of the greatest helps to our work this winter has been the addition to our force of two Indian girls, Ruth and Amri. Money for their support is sent by friends in Pittsburgh, Pa. Miss Kyle and I have been able to go to different villages, each taking a girl, and have teaching in two places at the same time. These Eastern girls have more patience than we Western ones to teach the same words over and over again until the village women, who have never learned anything in all their lives before, have it fixed in their memories. At the camp, too, they have helped greatly in entertaining and teaching the women and children, who visit the tents. They are both products of our mission schools, and every place they go, they encourage the mothers to send their daughters to school. They are witnesses in themselves of the value of Christian, female education in India.

Yours in His service,

ELIZABETH LAWRENCE.

TEACHERS, MORE TEACHERS WANTED!

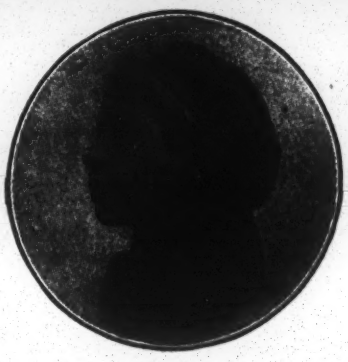
The regular routine of work has occupied all of our time this winter. Teaching and caring for the wants of 150 boarders keeps us employed the greater part of the time. Last week we had a little diversion in the form of the Annual Districts Sports. Our boys won several prizes. They won in the cricket tournament until they came to the finals when they lost by a small score. But they said, "We were beaten by the only other Christian team playing, so we do not feel so badly. We won over all the heathens by a big score."

We see many encouraging things as the days go by. Four of the older boys and one teacher were out on an evangelistic tour for ten days. They came home very full of enthusiasm. "Teachers, teachers are all that we need," they would say. 'The people everywhere want to be taught so that they may be baptized, and those already Christians need teaching that they may grow in knowledge."

It is the cry from all sides. The need of teachers. It is encouraging to see so many wanting to learn the way of life.

The growth that some of our boys are making in grace too is encouraging. To be sure there are some who are disappointing but others cheer our hearts.

MRS. T. E. HOLLIDAY,
Christian Training Institute.



OUR MOSLEM SISTERS

THIS PAGE IS DEVOTED TO

Work Among Moslem Women

EDITED BY

MISS MINNEHAHA FINNEY, EGYPT

(Home on Furlough, Beloit, Kansas.)

PAST NEGLECT OF THE CHURCH.

The whole church of Christ has certainly great neglect to confess:

1. The church has overlooked Islam as a neglegible quantity. In contemplating the 800,000,000 of heathens and pagans, Islam, with its 200,000,000, has been thought to be of secondary importance. Only within the past thirty years has the church found out the prodigious numerical strength of Islam and its rapid progress in Asia and Africa.

2. Many in the Christian Church have been led to think of Islam as a mild Oriental Unitarianism, well enough adapted to Asiatics and Africans, and have been satisfied to let the Moslems alone. This had come about largely through the misrepresentation of men who would have us believe that Islam has little to learn or gain from Christianity. The evils of polygamy, the harem seclusion of women, facility of divorce, exclusion and hatred of other sects—these and other features have been ignored or defended. Much may be said in approval of Islamic doctrines which are borrowed from Christianity, but vital doctrinal errors and corrupting social and moral teachings, especially in the degradation of women, are too great for any thoughtful Christian to be satisfied with Islam.

3. Another cause of past neglect has been despair. The conversion of Islam has been thought a hopeless task. Christians at home and travelers abroad inquire how many Moslems have been converted, and say the effort is useless. They have not taken pains to read of 16,000 converted in the East Indies, and 5,000 in India. (The Arabic language, the holy language of Islam; not being the language of the people in India and the East Indies, has made the task easier than it is in Egypt, Arabia and other Arabic speaking countries. However, even in these countries, we rejoice to say, there are many converts from Islam.) .... We should not despair of success until we have tried, done our best and persevered patiently in the work

* THE CHALLENGE OF OPEN DOORS.

1. It is a fact not to be ignored or lightly regarded that almost the only really open doors to reach Islam, are in countries where Moslems are under Christian or non-Moslem rule. The Turkish Empire, Western Arabia, Persia, Turkistan, Afghanistan, Tripoli and Morocco under Moslem rule are virtually sealed against liberty of conscience and belief. On the other hand, in India, the East Indies, North-west China, Egypt, Tunis and Algiers, the door may be regarded as open, so that about 140,000,000 are in a measure accessible to the Christian missionary.

2. God has given us many noble examples of the true conversion of Moslems to the evangelical faith in India, Persia, Syria and Egypt.

3. The increase of the desire for education, especially for the education of girls in Moslem lands is very encouraging. This is a *wide open* door of opportunity for the Christian missionary.

4. The growing demand for good literature is also a cause for praise and thanksgiving.

* N. B. The above is an extract from the introductory chapter of "The Mohammedan World of Today," and has a special significance to the United Presbyterian Church whose foreign mission work is so largely among Moslems.

CHICAGO W. G. M. S. CONVENTION

5534 Kentucky Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.,

W. G. M. S. Delegates, April 30, 1912.

My Dear Friends:

As a last opportunity to reach you before the Chicago Convention, I wish to extend greetings. The work of the year has been completed. The preparations for the Convention are being made. There is so much that we planned to do before May 14, 1912. We realize now that much of it has not been done and we also realize now, with much regret, that some of it cannot be done. But there are some things yet possible before the Convention is called to order Tuesday evening, May 14, 1912. Every day every hour, every minute is full of prayer possibilities. As the time draws near and nearer, all who are in any way responsible for the success of the Convention feel more and more their utter dependence upon prayer—upon **your** prayers.. Let us pray believingly and persistently for every officer, every speaker, every committee, every delegate. Let us pray for every detail, and for all who have the management of the Convention arrangements, that the success of the Convention may not be threatened by any friction or failure of plans. Let us pray for the Convention Church and for all the sister Churches in Chicago, for the pastors and members, that as they have so much responsibility for the machinery of the Convention they may not miss all the spiritual influences of the meeting. Let us pray for the homes where we will be entertained, and that we may be a blessing in those homes. Let us pray that we may all be brought in safety by train, by car, or by boat to Chicago, in health and in strength, and that the weather may be favorable for our comfort and well-being. Let us pray that the Heavenly Father will take us all into His keeping, and cause the Convention to work out the glory of His name, and that "**Christ shall be magnified.**"

There is one other thing that can yet be done — the success of the Quarter-Centennial Celebration of the Women's Missionary Magazine can even yet be assured. **At least five new subscribers can in these remaining days be secured in each society in our splendid old denomination.** We United Presbyterians have always stood for intelligent work. We yield to none the place we give to education in every department of our ecclesiastical activity. We know the value of intelligent interest in working out into service and gifts and prayer. We realize what a tremendous force for good those 5,000 **new subscribers** to our excellent Magazine would be. We can't afford **not** to do our utmost to secure at least those 5,000 before Wednesday evening, May 15. There will be no one in all your presbytery who will get more real enjoyment out of it than you delegates who will witness the celebration procession when the subscriptions are brought forward to the altar as real tributes of love to Christ our King. And think what possibilities for the Magazine will be locked up in those 5,000 **additional subscriptions.** There can be enlargement and improvement—and the readers will reap the benefit. We can remove every possibility of irksomeness and weary burdening in the production of the Magazine, and make it for our devoted and efficient editors, a joyous, happy service. What an inspiration it would be to our missionaries on the firing line to know that 15,000 Magazines were being read each month in the homes of our beloved church. They would be reasonably sure of just so many more prayers and of so much more sympathetic interest. What an inspiration and joy it would be to our faithful pastors to know that 15,000 Magazines in the homes were intensifying the impressions they are so earnestly striving to make from the pulpits. What a blessing it will be to us all to experience the uplift our Women's Missionary Magazine brings with every issue. Let us even yet make this Quarter-Centennial a great success.

And now, with hearts so full of love that there will be no room for anything of which Christ does not approve, and with an irresistable longing to realize the working out of our Convention motto, "**Christ shall be magnified,**" let us all come up to the Convention prepared to give our **best.** We will get out of it only as we put into it. May each one of us be a blessing and may we all get a blessing at the W. G. M. S. Convention at Chicago, May, 1912.

Your Convention President,

ANNA A. MILLIGAN.

EDITORIAL.

Remember, in less than ten days representatives from Presbyterials, both from the home and foreign fields, will be on their way to the Annual Meeting. More than any thought of personal appearances, than social functions, than the strange sights of the great city of Chicago, even more than the precious fellowship of this meeting is the one supreme purpose, namely: That CHRIST SHALL BE MAGNIFIED. Let no woman go unprepared to enter into the spiritual life of that meeting, else her going will be a failure. Keep this in your heart always, "I am a representative of the greatest work in the world, commissioned by the King of kings."

Pray for the Convention. Pray for the Convention President and all having a duty there. Pray that YOU may be a blessing ever afterward for having attended the 29th Annual Meeting of the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church.

With this number we close the profound and interesting studies of the past six months—"The Light of the World," a study of non-Christian religions. While many thousand women have been studying this text book in our own and other denominations, none have had more carefully prepared written articles on these difficult subjects than what we have been privileged to give the readers of the Women's Missionary Magazine. Mrs. White's superior work has been of value to, and has received favorable comment from many women of other denominations.

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EVERY CONGREGATION SHOULD HAVE A THOROUGH CANVASS FOR NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS.

Five or more new subscriptions, if sent later than the close of the Convention, they will be duly credited. Do not fail to have your Congregation canvassed for new subscriptions to the Magazine. This effort is in behalf of our own denomination.

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Send for the circular letters and instructions at once. It is not too late to make the canvass if you have not done so.

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The awful tragedy of the fate of the Titanic that has no parallel in travel by sea, has brought out many lessons. We are impressed with the wide and benevolent editorial of the Dayton, O. Journal. It says:

"WOMEN AND CHILDREN FIRST!"

Mingled with the first thrill of horror and the profound and world-wide sympathy for those bereaved by the Titanic disaster, are emotions stirred by the supreme regard shown in the tragic crisis for one of the highest and holiest sentiments cherished by humanity. The hearts of the true men and women everywhere must be gladdened and strengthened by the magnificent verification in that awful hour of the genuine chivalry at the core of our Anglo-Saxon civilization. "Women and children first!" Rising to the realization of the full meaning of the order that imposed and accepted the great law of knighthood and of manhood with instant sacrifice of every other consideration to that of safety for the weak and helpless—the mothers of men and their charges—our pulses beat high with pride. In this noble exemplification of fidelity to the best all manhood is glorified. Pitiable indeed is the man whose blood does not course more swiftly and warmly through his veins at the recital of the promptitude with which a thousand men went down to death in the waves that nearly a thousand women and children might have what chance there was for life.

"Women and children first!" Shall we not take heart of grace for the sure if slow emergence of the faith in humanity that made this action possible in that dread and awful hour on the Titanic, in a new and nobler regard for women and children always and

everywhere? Is it not to be relied on for the ultimate and perfect success of the humanitarian movement spreading in our land for the rescue of our women and children from physical, mental and soul-destroying conditions in our mines and mills; for the rescue of the victims of the slums and the sweat-shops and of girls from the awfulness of the white slave traffic? It is the boast of the Anglo-Saxson that honer for womanhood is dearer to men's hearts than life itself. As all consideration of rank and wealth were instantly put aside on the Titanic for the safety of the lives of the poorest and humblest among the women, shall we not, in the less dramatic occasions of everyday life be equally true to the best that is in us? Reverence for woman exalts man; its lack means his debasement.—Dayton O., Daily Journal, April 18, 1912.

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ATTENTION! DELEGATES TO CHICAGO CONVENTION.

Railroad Rates and Routes to Convention of Women's General Missionary Society in Chicago, May 14-17, 1912.

On account of existing conditions in the passenger associations, no concessions have been granted for this occasion other than party rates or mileage books. In parties of ten or more special reduction will be made. Individuals or parties of less than ten should use mileage books. Full information relative to these party rates and mileage books can be obtained upon application to the nearest ticket agent.

The individual railroad fare between Pittsburgh and Chicago by the Pan Handle or Pitsburgh and Lake Erie Routes is $9.50 one way. Party rates for ten or more persons traveling on a solid ticket, $8.45 one way.

The individual fare over the Fort Wayne Route is $10.50 one way; party rate, $9.35 one way.

The cost of a mileage book is $20.00, which is a rate of 2 cents a mile for 1,000 miles. The distance by the shortest route between Pittsburgh and Chicago is 468 miles or 936 miles both ways. By using the remainder of the mileage within a year after the convention the cost of the trip would be $9.36 one way or $18.72 to Chicago and return. The original cost of a mileage book is $25.00 with a rebate of $5.00 upon presentation of the cover by the purchaser to the nearest ticket agent. The coupons of these books will not be accepted for passage on trains but the books must be presented to ticket agents who will exchange coupons for mileage exchange train ticket which will be honored by conductor on train specified in ticket.

Train leaves Pitssburgh, Union Station, over the Fort Wayne Route at 9:00 P. M. city time, arriving in Chicago at 8:00 A. M. Train leaves Pittsburgh, Union Sattion, over the Pan Handle Route, at 6:00 P. M. city time, arriving in Steubenville at 7:15 P. M., Eastern time; Columbus 9:45 P. M. Central time; Chicago 7:30 A. M.

Train over the Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Route leaves Lake Erie Depot at 8:15 P. M. city time arriving in Chicago at 7:59 A. M.

Dining car service on all these trains.

The delegation from the East can reach Pittsburgh in time to make good connection with any of these trains. They can use mileage books to Pittsburgh and there join the Pittsburgh party. The original cost of a mileage book East of Pittsburgh is $20.00 without the rebate.

The rate for a sleeping car berth from Pittsburgh to Chicago is: Lower, $2.50; upper, $2.00. A berth may be occupied by either one or two persons as may be desired.

In order that suitable accomodations may be provided it is requested that those wishing to travel over the Pennsylvania Lines make early application for sleeping car reservations to F. M. Conner, District Passenger Agent, 613 Oliver Building, Pittsburgh. Those wishing to travel over the Pittsburgh and

Lake Erie should apply to L. A. Robinson, General Passenger Agent, P. & L. E. R. R., Pittsburgh, Pa. Reservations will be made made in the order in which applications are received.

By reason of convenience the members of the Women's Board will leave Pittsburgh over the Fort Wayne Route Monday May 13th, at 9:00 P. M. Delegates and visitors are at liberty to select any route they may choose.

MISS SUSAN E. MCNALL,
Railroad Secretary,
518 Washington Avenue,
Carnegie, Pa.

☞ IMPORTANT ☜

Mrs. Sophia Cox Johnson, of Miller's Ferry, Ala., will represent the Freedmen's Work at the Women's General Missionary Convention in Chicago, May 14th to 17th. Mrs. Johnson has consented to give several weeks' time, if her services are desired, telling of the needs of her people. Mrs. Johnson is well informed, and a pleasing speaker, and it is hoped that societies and congregations in the vicinity of Chicago and enroute will avail themeselves of this opportunity. Expenses only expected.

Correspond with Mrs. Samuel Yourd, Freedmen Secretary, 625 Highland Ave., Carnegie, Pa.

LITERATURE SECRETARY.

HELPS FOR HOME MISSION STUDY.

Has your society secured the helps for the mission study of home missions in July as outlined by the Magazine Committee? The wonderful success of the foreign mission study "The Light of the World," during the past months should lead societies to continue their study of missions in the home field.

The Text Book, "Conservation of National Ideals," by Mrs. D. B. Wells and others. Price in paper, 30c, postpaid 35c. Price in cloth 50c, postpaid 55c.

Leaflets to Help in the Study.

A Twentieth Century Call to the Christian Women of America....2c
Our Country's Need of the Gospel...2c
Parsonage Work 3c
Foreign Missions at Our Doors.....3c
The Stranger Within Our Gates.....2c
A Banner Mission Field.....1c
Condition of Immigrant Children....2c
Mormonism 2c
Mormon Women 1c
Condition of Mormon Children 2c

Temperance leaflets can be secured from the Temperance Secretary, Mrs, R. C. Morton, 2020 Perrysville Ave., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

A very essential feature to an intelligent and interesting study of home missions is the

Home Mission Map.

A map of the United States showing the location of all the mission stations of our church in the home land. The map is printed in three colors; mounted ready for hanging; size 3 by 4 feet.
Price .....75c postpaid.

THE CONVENTION PIN.

This is the last opportunity before the Chicago Convention of reminding delegates of the W. G. M. S. pin. This pin is to be used in place of the badge at the annual conventions, and delegates should be supplied before starting for the convention. It is a sterling silver brooch pin with the monogram W. G. M. S. in silver on blue enamel. Price 35c postpaid.

PRAYER CYCLE.

Copies of the Prayer Cycle for the Moslem World can be secured free from the Literature Department. Order these in quantities for free distribution.

Send orders for all the above supplies, except Temperance Literature, to

MISS SUSAN E. McNALL,
Literature Secretary,
209 Ninth Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.
904 Publication Building.

REV. W. T. CAMPBELL, D. D.

In the death of Dr. Campbell the Women's Missionary Magazine desires especially to convey to Mrs. Campbell and family the sincere love and sympathy of many friends. We recognize the loss to the Church. Dr. Campbell was one whose life and teaching upheld the faith and principles of our Church, also one who advocated Christian education as essential to the usefulness and efficiency of the Church. In all his Christian activities his wife, well known as Mrs. Jennie Logue Campbell, has been an intelligent and companiable support.

SOME GOOD READING.

(CONTINUED FROM APRIL.)

Question No. 1. For what purpose does the Women's Missionary Magazine exist?

Question No. 2. Shall we devote some of its pages to advertising matter in order to secure more revenue for increasing demands for space. Or shall we depend entirely upon securing additional subscriptions in order to make the Magazine more attractive and useful.

Answer No. 2. My opinion is: Do not resort to advertisements. The absence has always been one charm of this publication. Matter of that sort diverts the mind from the subject in hand. Why not increase price of subscription to one dollar—a much easier amount to send.

Fanny H. Williams, Salem, New York.

Answer No. 1. We live in age of great and growing activity in missionary work and also at a time when women's work is recognized as never before. She has been given a place as a co-worker. It is here the Magazine comes to our help; keeps the laborers in touch with the needs and wants in the work.

Answer No. 2. We do not realize the work and self-sacrifice of our committee in giving us a very helpful Magazine in the past, but now, with increased interest in world-wide evangelization, a larger circulation is desirable and by way of securing extra revenue think that the addition of some advertising not objectionable.

Mrs. J. H. Steward, Washington, Iowa.

Answer No. 1. To bring us in touch with our missionary fields. To give us a glimpse of other lands and countries. To educate in systematic ways of giving and doing.

Answer No. 2. That should be left to the wisdom of the Magazine Committee and the Women's Board. Personally, I prefer it without the advertising matter.

Mrs. G. I. Gordon, Oklahoma City.

Answer No. 1. I believe the Magazine exists for the purpose of increasing the interest in missions among the women of our church, by making them better acquainted with our own and other mission fields, and with the men and women who are laboring in them.

Answer No. 2. If the object desired can be secured by increased subscriptions, much more will be gained in that way. Every home in which the Magazine enters will surely be a center from which interest will spread.

Mary Wilson, R. D. 4, Milford, Mich.

Answer No. 1. As a teacher, a medium for disseminating missionary intelligence. A well spring of life to local societies. Each number brings new inspiration, new impetus, greater devotion, renewed zeal. Strengthens prayer life by teaching what special needs of prayer. A living link connecting home, foreign and general missionary interests.

Answer No. 2. If the ideal method of increasing revenue is by new subscriptions, perhaps it would not be well to fall below the ideal. The highest ground is the safest. Yet if a few trustworthy advertisements could be added without detracting from the excellence of the Magazine something might be gained.

Mrs. Jennie T. Gibson, R. D. 3, Kimbolton, Ohio.

Answer No. 1. To create and promote missionary zeal. Our Magazine is ideal as our aid to the members of local societies. Many homes have no other literature on missions. May we soon aim to interest the men also.

Answer No. 2. Yes, if necessary we might devote a few pages to well chosen advertising matter.

Mrs. B. W. Blackwood, 1201 Kearney St., Manhattan, Kansas.

Answer No. 1. It should exist to educate its readers to a better understanding of missions, and to an inteligent distribution of their offerings to missions.

Answer No. 2. I like the way the Magazine is now. Am not in favor of advertising matter.

A. G. L.

Answer No. 1. The misson of the Missionary Magazine is to instruct and inspire. Our Women's Missionary Magazine very splendidly fills both of these requirements.

Answer No. 2. I see no harm or loss in devoting some space to well selected advertising matter.

Mrs. R. W. McGranahan.

Answer No. 1. The Magazine keeps us in touch with our work, presenting the needs of our field so that the auxiliary may plan and pray intelligently. It deepens our interest in the spread of Christ's Kingdom; Awakens the feeling that we are personally responsible for offering to these people what Christ came to give them.

Answer No. 2. I can see no harm in giving a place to honest advertising if the same amount of space is used for magazine news as now.

Mrs. T. C. Levoy, Pres. of Central U. P. Missionary Society, Omaha, Neb.

Answer No. 1. He would be a poor professional who read no professional literature. The W. M. Magazine exists to give our women a wider knowledge of the needs and opportunities of the harvest fields; to acquaint them with the workers; also with the plans of the directors of the work, the Women's Board; and so create and increase interest and zeal.

(N. B. I asked our ladies in society for answers to these questions and used them in giving my answers. A number said they would not know how to get along without the Magazine.)

Answer No. 2. A few carefully selected advertisements might be no detriment, but the preference is **strongly** in favor of **increased subscription rather than advertisements**, thereby give inspiration to a greater number of persons.

Mrs. Cora G. Hanlon, R. D. 2, Sterling, Kansas.

Answer No. 1. First, for information in the work carried on by the W. G. M. S., that being informed, the women of **our** church will be helpers in the great cause of missions.

Second, that the veteran workers may be encouraged and energized by the reports that come from the mission fields.

Third, to draw out and put into active service the ability that exists in the women of the U. P. Church.

Answer N. 2. A limited number of choice advertisements, if necessary. **Push for new subscriptions.**

Mrs. Mahlon Rouch, Wooster, Ohio.

Answer No. 1. As a medium of information through which we and the public in general may keep in touch with the work and workers of our missions, without which our interest and enthusiasm would soon fag.

Answer No. 2. Yes, by all means, if the Committee sees fit.

Mrs. W. F. Goldspohn, Arlington, Wis.

Answer No. 1. It keeps us in touch with the work both in our home and foreign lands. Each number brings us messages from the sisters laboring across the seas. From it we learn of the work in other societies. In the Junior Leaders', the Young Women's and Thank-Offering Departments we get reports, instructions and helps for future work.

Answer No. 2. It does seem good to pick up one Magazine which is **free of advertisements**. But if the subscription funds are not sufficient and the Magazine can be made more attractive and useful, clean advertisements would not be objectionable to me and funds derived in this way could be used for its betterment, if necessary. L. A. B.

Answer No. 1. To help spread the knowledge of the mission work.

Answer No. 2. **Depend entirely upon securing additional subscriptions.**

Mary A. Dick, West Newton, Pa.

Answer No. 1. It keeps us informed in all missionary work. It stimulates to greater activity. It educates us to our responsibility and our opportunities.

Answer No. 2. Suitable advertising should not be objectionable, especially if by their means the paper could be made larger and better.

Mrs. W. J. McMichael, Greenburg, Pa.

Answer No. 1. In order that the members and friends of our own and other churches may be interested in and informed concerning the great work our church is doing in the mission fields both at home and abroad.

Answer No. 2. If the end desired may be attained by increase of subscriptions, that is the better way; still, as good advertisements have an educative value, I see no reason why a few pages of these, judiciously selected, might not be added to the Magazine.

Mrs. M. B. Patterson.

Answer No. 1. To interest the women in the cause of missions. To present the subjects in a clear light, so we can find what we want to know. The missionaries cannot tell every one of the needs of the work. The Magazine can fill up the gap between the work and the workers.

Answer No. 2. I think we will have a better Magazine to leave out the advertising matter, and I will try to get 5 or more subscriptions from our society before May 14th, 1912.

Mrs. W. L. Kennedy, Pres. W. M. S., Fowler, Cal.

Answer No. 1. The Women's Missionary Magazine exists to impart information on the subject of missions, to instruct and interest the women of the United Presbyterian Church in the work of our own missions and to arouse them to zeal and earnestness in carrying forward the work laid to our hands.

Answer No. 2. By all means let us make additional subscriptions supply the necessary funds to enlarge our Magazine. Its influence for missions will thus be extended to a greater number of women of the church whereas advertising pages would only cause added weight and inconvenience in handling.

Mrs. W. M. French, Hookstown, Pa.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

THANK-OFFERING DEPARTMENT

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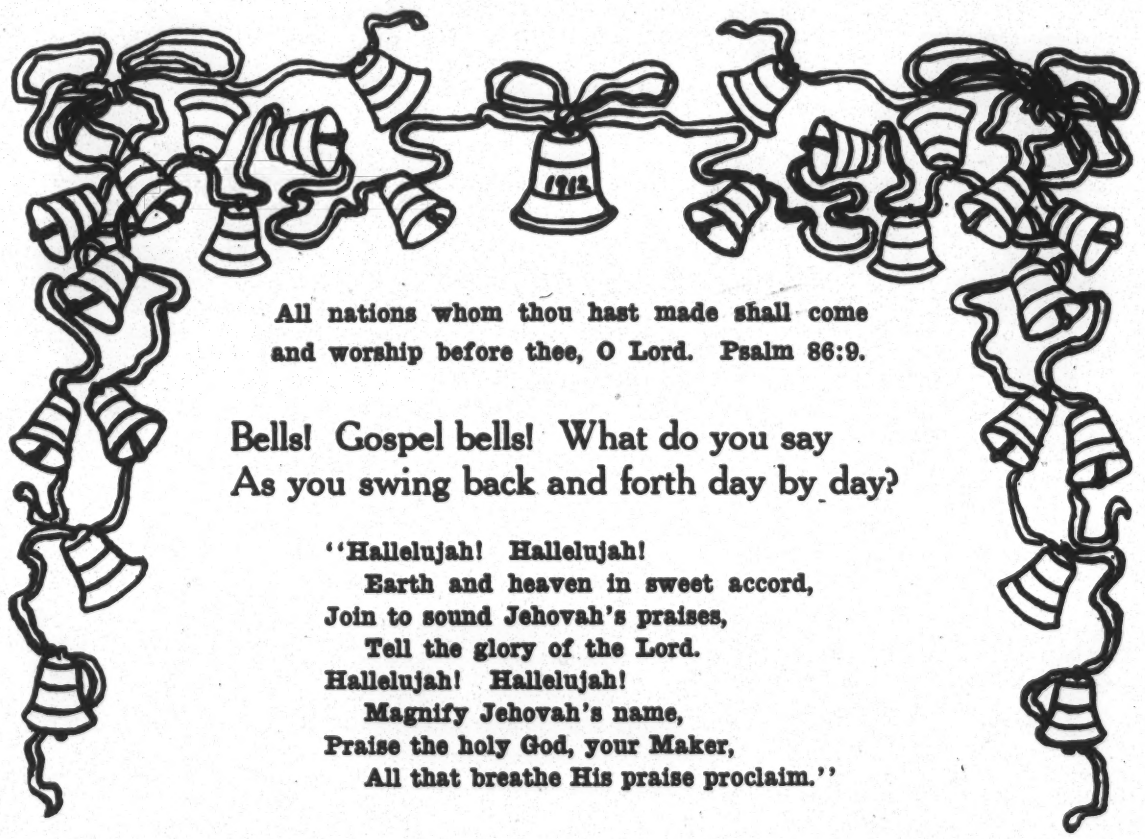

All nations whom thou hast made shall come and worship before thee, O Lord. Psalm 86:9.

Bells! Gospel bells! What do you say
As you swing back and forth day by day?

"Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Earth and heaven in sweet accord,
Join to sound Jehovah's praises,
Tell the glory of the Lord.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Magnify Jehovah's name,
Praise the holy God, your Maker,
All that breathe His praise proclaim."

WANTED AND NEEDED.

Seventy-five thousand women whose names are on our church rolls to average ten cents per week as their thank-offering to God in 1912, for the "benefits with which he daily loadeth them." Is this too much to ask of those who are stewards of God's money?

☞READ THIS☜

THANK-OFFERING BOXES.

Fifty thousand Silver Anniversary Boxes, with their pretty bells and silver stars, were delivered to Thank-Offering Room, 905 Publication Building, Ninth Street, Pittsburgh, in December, 1911. Orders for 45,000 were received from Senior and Junior Societies before April 1, 1912. The demand continues and 20,000 additional boxes have been ordered from the manufacturers.

Reader! Are you *sure* that your congregation is well supplied with the beautiful "blessing boxes?" If not, will you not seek to know *why,* and see that an order is sent soon *before the second supply is exhausted?* Will you?

THINK OF IT!

Think of what it will mean to the regular work of the Foreign, Home, Freedmen and Parsonage Departments of the Women's General Missionary Society if these boxes *average* ten cents a week

before January 1, 1913, when the Treasurer of the Women's Board closes her books for the 1912 offering.

Think Seriously!

Think of what joy there will be in heaven and on earth, if through *Special Offerings,* (over and above the boxes,) and Life Membership Fees in 1912, the Girls' Boarding School at Tanta, Egypt, and Sangla Hill, India, can be erected and the souls of hundreds of young native girls be "saved for service" for their Lord.

One beautiful Special Gift of $1,400.00 has already been given by a devoted friend of missions, in Pittsburgh. A second beautiful gift of one hundred dollars has been given by a faithful worker in the First Church, Allegheny, Pa., in memory of a loved sister whom God called to her rich reward some years ago.

WHO?

Are there not fifty women in our United Presbyterian Church who are financially and spiritually able to give one thousand dollars ($1,000) each, as a special gift to the Twenty-fifth Birthday Thank-Offering, to help build these two greatly needed Girls' Schools in Egypt and India? Remember! Unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required. Luke 12:48.

PORTFOLIO OF PICTURES.

A portfolio of fourteen scenes in India, Egypt and the Sudan will be given for every Life Membership fee of $25.00 for a Senior or $10.00 for a Junior; or for a special gift of $25.00 or over designated for the Silver Anniversary Thank-Offering for 1912.

LIST OF PICTURES.

1. Moslem at Prayer in the Desert.
2 Girls' Boarding School, Luxor, Egypt.
3. School Girls, Luxor, Egypt.
4. Martha J. McKown Hospital, Tanta, Egypt.
5. A Hospital Scene.
6. Ele, a Patient in Tanta Hospital.
7. A missionary with Basket Weavers, Alexandria, Egypt.
9. School Girls at North Khartoum, siut, Egypt.
9. School girls at North Khartoum, Sudan.
10. Sudanese Women.
11. Elizabeth Gordon Home, Sialkot, India.
12. Laundry, Memorial Hospital.
13. Bible Readers in the Hospital.
14. In a Court-yard, India.

N. B. When money has been designated for Thank-Offering, 1912, and *paid,* notify the General Secretary, 15 Marshall Avenue, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., giving name, address and any facts for Personal Notes in the Magazine.

THE MAY LIST OF LIFE MEMBERS OF THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY FOR THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY THANK-OFFERING, 1912.

SENIOR LIFE MEMBERS.
$25.00 Each.

Mrs. Hettie Neeld, St. Clair Church, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.
Mrs. Joseph Hughey, St. Clair Church, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.
Mrs. Margaret Rance, Plainfield, Ill.
Mrs. E. F. Gillis, Hanover, Ill.
Mrs. J. C. Hare, Homewood, Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. W. G. McKenzie, Homewood Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. W. N. Brown, Denison, Kansas.
Mrs. A. B.
Mrs. W. R. Fulton, Swissvale, Pa.
Mrs. J. M. Adair, Indiana, Pa.
Miss Elizabeth Lawrence, Pasrur, India.
Mrs. D. J. Brown, Bellevue, Pa.
Mrs. G. R. Murray, Thomas, Pa.
Mrs. James Hodgens, Taylorstown, Pa.
Mrs. Isabella Robertson, Etna, Pa.
Mrs. Thomas Park, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mrs. W. J. Wilson, Detroit, Mich.

JUNIOR LIFE MEMBERS.
$10.00 Each.

Master Charles Fulton, Swissvale, Pa.
Elizabeth Harbison Torrey, Berkeley, Cal.
Lena Moorehead Hastings, Cedarville, Ohio.
Aurel Anderson, India.

Charles Morse Stots, Ingram, Pa.

Robert Pollock, Jr., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Susan Bell McWilliams, McDonald, Pennsylvania.

Elizabeth Carolyn Harsha, Taylorstown, Pa.

Master Lincoln Stephens, Miller's Ferry, Ala.

PERSONAL NOTES.

Mrs. Neeld's membership fee came from her devoted daughter, Elizabeth E. Neeld, who, in token of her profound gratitude to God for the restoration of her mother from a serious accident rejoices in the privilege of making her a life member of the Women's General Missionary Society.

Mrs. Joseph Hughey has for over fifty years been an active member of the church and a willing helper in every good work that pertains to its welfare. As a token of her earnest desire for the extension of her Lord's Kingdom, she makes herself a life-member.

Mrs. Rance is one of the generous givers and loyal members of the Wheatland Women's Missionary Society. She has enrolled her name in the life membership list, for the benefit of the Girls' Boarding School at Tanta, Egypt.

Mrs. E. F. Gillis has for a long time desired to become a life member, and her husband and son, Harold, have met the desire by the payment of the twenty-five dollar fee for the 1912 Thank-Offering.

Mrs. J. C. Hare was made a life member by a friend who says, "I appreciate the good work she is doing." Mrs. Hare served as President of the Women's Missionary Society for six years, and has been President of the Junior Society for eight years. No work is quite so dear to her heart as that of the Juniors.

Mrs. W. G. McKenzie is an aunt of Miss Laura Cleland of India. She is a faithful worker in both the Women's and the Junior Societies and is at present the Thank-Offering Secretary of the Homewood Congregation.

Mrs. W. N. Brown is the wife of the pastor at Denison, Kansas. She was made a life member by the Women's Missionary Society, who appreciate her devotion to her work for the Master.

Mrs. A—— B——, being deeply interested in the work of the women of the church, she desired to have some part in it, hence, when a sum of money came into her possession, she gave $25.00 as a Thank-Offering, with the prayer that the Master may increase its value many times for His cause.

As a token of love and appreciation, the ladies of Swissvale, Pa. congregation paid $35.00 to make Mrs. W. K. Fulton, their pastor's wife, and her baby, Charles, life members of the Women's General Missionary Society.

Rev. J. W. Adair, Indiana, Pa., has made his wife a life member. Mrs. Adair has been for two years the efficient President of the Women's Misionary Society of the Second Church, and takes an active interest in everything pertaining to the Lord's work.

Miss Lawrence is a missionary at Pasrur, India. She went out to the foreign field one year and a half ago from her home in Columbus, Ohio. Her salary is paid by Anna A. Milligan, whom she so acceptably represents, and by whom she has been made a life member.

Mrs. Brown's life membership fee was a birthday gift from her husband. Mrs. Brown is Vice-President of the Aid Society of the Fourth Church, N.S., Pittsburgh, Pa., and the wide-awake Corresponding Secretary of the Allegheny Presbyterial.

The Women's Missionary Society of Mt. Prospect Church, Thomas, Pa. has made Mrs. Murray, the wife of the pastor, a life member in recognition of her faithful service as President of the Society.

Mrs. Hodgens is the mother of Rev. D. P. Smith's, wife, of Springfield, Mo. She is an earnest and influential member of the congregation at Taylorstown, Pa.

Elizabeth Harbison Torrey, Berkeley, Cal., is the grand-daughter of Mrs. H. W. Crabbe of Second Church, Los Angeles, Cal., who, for many years has been Superintendent of the Junior Society which gave ten dollars to the 1912 Thank-Offering to make the child a life member.

Lena Moorehead Hastings holds the honor of being the first life member in

the congregation at Cedarville, Ohio. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hastings, contributed the ten dollars ($10.00) which made her a life member. Lena is a niece of Rev. W. G. Moorehead, D. D., and takes an active part in her Junior Society.

The Juniors of the First Church, Indiana, Pa., Mrs. John S. Fisher, leader, made Aurel Anderson, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Anderson, of Rawal Pindi, India, a life member. Aurel and her sister are attending school in Indiana, Pa.

The name of Charles Morse Stots was added to the Junior life membership roll by his mother who is greatly interested in all lines of work for children.

Robert Pollock, Jr., was made a life member by his grand-mother, Mrs. Catherine Pollock of Second Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. Mrs. Pollock is the mother of Mrs. Maxwell, India.

Susan B. McWilliams is the first life member in the Junior Society of McDonald, Pa. This honor was bestowed upon her by the leader of the Juniors, Mrs. D. G. Gray. Susan will soon graduate into the Young People's Christian Union.

Elizabeth Caroline Harsha is the only daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Harsha, of Taylorstown, Pa. The parents take great pleasure in having the privilege of placing Elizabeth's name on the Junior life membership roll.

Mrs. Robertson adds her name to the list of life members that thus she may increase the gifts to missions through the Silver Anniversary Thank-Offering.

The members of the Fourth Church Women's Missionary and Benevolent Society, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., in making Mrs. Park, their President, and wife of their pastor, a life member, express their high regard for her personally and as a leader in all good work.

Mrs. W. J. Wilson, First Church, Detroit, Mich., expresses her deep interest in missions and in the Silver Anniversary Thank-Offering by adding her name with the fee to the rapidly growing list of life members.

Mrs. P. L. Stephens of Miller's Ferry, Ala., adds her son, Lincoln's, name to the Junior list as the first from the Freedmen's mission. May he be spared to honor the great name he bears!

HONORABLE MENTION.

In the February Magazine chart — "The Story Thank-Offering Blanks Tell," the list of societies that deserved honorable mention for having largely increased their offerings over the previous year was omitted. Credit is herewith given:

CHARTIERS PRESBYTERIAL—W. M. S., Venice, Pa.; W. M. S., Chartiers, Pa.; Juniors, Venice, Pa.

PAWNEE PRESBYTERIAL—W. M. S. and Juniors, Mission Creek, Neb.

COLORADO PRESBYTERIAL—W. M. S., Romeo, Colo.

KEOKUK, PRESBYTERIAL—W. M. S. and Y. W. M. S., First Washington, Iowa; W. M. S., Keokuk, Iowa; W. M. S., Ainsworth, Iowa.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS PRESBYTERIAL—W. M. S., Morea, Ill.; W. M. S., Pinckneyville, Ill.

FIRST OHIO PRESBYTERIAL — Juniors, Tranquility, Ohio.

MANSFIELD PRESBYTERIAL—W. M. S., Iberia, Ohio; W. M. S., Mansfield, Ohio.

BOSTON PRESBYTERIAL — W. M. S., Lawrence, Mass.

STEUBENVILLE PRESBYTERIAL—W. M. S., Grant Hill; Y. W. M. S., First Steubenville, Ohio; Juniors, Salineville and Richmond, Ohio.

CHICAGO PRESBYTERIAL — W. M. S., Third, Chicago, Ill.

SIDNEY PRESBYTERIAL — W. M. S., Sidney, Ohio.

WHEELING PRESBYTERIAL—Y. W. M. S,. St. Clairsville, Ohio.

MUSKINGUM PRESBYTERIAL—Y. W. M. S., First New Concord, Ohio; Juniors, First and Second, New Concord, and Cambridge, Ohio.

BROOKVILLE PRESBYTERIAL — Juniors, Beracha, Pa.

IDAHO PRESBYTERIAL—W. M. S., Idaho, Idaho.

DETROIT PRESBYTERIAL — W. M. S., Southfield, Mich.; W. M. S. and Luxor Y. W. M. S., First Detroit, Mich.

SPOKANE PRESBYTERIAL — W. M. S.,

Southwich, Wash.; W. M. S., Montgomery Ave, Spokane, Wash.

Thank-Offerings from some mission stations, etc., merit special recognition, viz: Lansingville, Ohio; Second, Springfield, Ohio; Witherspoon Society, Indianapolis, Ind.; five societies among the Freedmen. Also Aged Peoples' Home; Juniors at Woodlawn, Pa. and Teachers at Frenchburg, Ky.

The W. M. S. at Atlanta, Ga. increased from $10.00 in 1910 to $32.30 in 1911. To many older societies we might well say, "Go thou and do likewise."

PRESBYTERIAL BLANKS.

Fifteen hundred blanks were sent out to societies for their Thank-Offering reports. 1250 were returned. Where! Oh, where are the missing 250? What societies failed to do their duty? The Presbyterials on the Honor Roll for having sent in well-filled blanks from all societies: Steubenville, Chicago, Wisconsin, Southern Illinois, Northern Indiana, Concordia, Kansas City and Rock Island.

Ten Presbyterials sent all blanks but one: Big Spring, Oklahoma, Colorado, First Ohio, Sidney, Spokane, Idaho, Northern Iowa, Pittsburgh and Sialkote, India.

Nine Presbyterials sent all but two: Cedar Rapids, College Springs, Central Illinois, Puget Sound, Keokuk, Cleveland, Vermont, Brookville and Omaha.

The failure of societies to forward their Thank-Offering blanks in time, to the proper officers, cannot often be charged to carelessness of the Presbyterial Thank-Offering Secretaries for in many instances they write two and three times for missing blanks and then fail to receive them.

Eighteen Presbyterials report their gifts for 1911 in four figures each, as follows: (See July Magazine, 1912, for figures in full.)

Presbyterials	Over	Gain over 1910
Monongahela	$9,000	$576.53
Allegheny	4,500	205.17
Chartiers	2,000	62.51
Westmoreland	1,800	43.18
Philadelphia	1,700	420.84
Muskingum	1,500	
Monmouth	1,400	
Los Angeles	1,400	251.20
College Springs	1,300	125.99
Beaver Valley	1,300	26.80
Caledonia	1,300	259.67
Keokuk	1,200	96.38
Wheeling	1,200	
Xenia	1,131	95.00
Ohio, First	1,000	5.00
Cleveland	1,000	77.09
Steubenville	1,000	
Des Moines	1,000	189.00

Caledonia and Des Moines Presbyterials are to be congratulated on each having left the three figures of 1910 behind and having joined the list of Presbyterials with four figures in the Thank-Offering columns.

Argyle and Lake Presbyterials having reached over $900. each, in 1911, with very little effort can step up into the four figure list for 1912.

Butler, Chicago, Colorado, Conemaugh, Illinois Southern, Indiana and Mercer, having given over $800.00 each in 1911, with special effort can reach the $1,000 mark in 1912.

STUDY FOR THE MONTH

JUNE—CHRIST, THE ONLY LIGHT OF THE WORLD.

Text book—"The Light of theWorld,"

Suggestive Bible reading–Ephesians 3.

Roll Call—Scripture promise of the ultimate triumph of Christ's Kingdom.

Topics for Study.

1. The inadequacy of the non-Christian religions.

2. The superiority of the Christian conception of God.

3. Woman's place in Christ's plan.

4. The duty of the Church.

5. The place of Foreign Missions in the plan of God.

6. The Home Church and Foreign Missions.

YOUNG WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Edited by Miss Sarah Reid, Springfield, Ohio, R. F. D. 5
YOUNG WOMEN'S GENERAL SECRETARY
Miss Ida B. Little, 132 Allison Ave., Washington, Pa.

MOTTO: "HE THAT WINNETH SOULS IS WISE."

AIM: "WIN ONE."

SPECIAL WORKERS.

Miss Anna B. Watson, M. D., Tanta, Egypt.

Miss Roma Beatty, Lyallpur, India.

Miss Bertha Houston, Frenchburg, Ky.

Miss Christianita Totten, Henderson, North Carolina.

CALENDAR.

Missionary Convention, Chicago, May 14-17.

New Wilmington Conference, August.

Tarkio Missionary Conference, July 26, to August 4.

But unto you that fear My name shall the sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings. Malachi 4:2.

TOPIC FOR JUNE.

Christ, the Only Light of the World.

SUGGESTED PROGRAM.

SILENT PRAYER followed by prayer by leader.

SCRIPTURE LESSON — Jesus and the children. Mk. 10:13-16.

Jesus and the women of Samaria. Jno. 4.

SING—Nos. 95:70.

ROLL CALL — What missions have done.

PAPER — What Christianity offers young women.

"Buddhist scriptures allow no hope of immortality to a woman unless she be rewarded in some future transmigration by being born a man! Her inferiority is assumed and her impurity taught."

CHAT—"Christianity's best."

Have a wide awake leader and eight assistants who will chat about this subject informally. Give leader six minutes for opening remarks and helpers three minutes each for developing topics.

PRAYER of thanksgiving for the Christian religion.

PERSONAL—How can we make the Chicago Convention beneficial to our home societies?

SEASON OF PRAYER — For Convention, officers, delegates, Board, our new Secretary, missions, missionaries, speakers, hostesses.

CHRISTIANITY'S BEST.

1. THE BEST GOD. A spiritual being of infinite holiness, love and power, who presents Himself as Father. No other faith combines these elements in its conception of God. None other recognizes both His immanence and transcendance.

2. THE BEST BIBLE. A comparison with all other sacred books reduces them to the ranks.

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GREETINGS.

To the Members of the Young Women's Missionary Societies of the United Presbyterian Church, Greeting:

You are to be congratulated on being members of an organization so noble in its purpose and so helpful in its influence as the Young Women's Missionary Society or the Mission Circle.

In these days of multiplied social clubs and the various benefit concerts and lectures, together with the more arduous duties of the school-room as teacher or pupil; with home cares; with store or office work, considerable stamina is required for such busy people to decide to spend more time and energy which, to the uninitiated seems dull and prosy.

To be an active and hearty worker in the missionary society is to appreciate it. The motto for the ideal organization is, "*Others.*"

Self is placed in the background. Christ and His kingdom are exalted and the reign of "Peace on earth" is being realized. The "Sun of righteousness" is shining on thousands for the first time, largely due to our women, many of them are young women.

The call of the hour is for a fuller consecration of self and possessions. The positive Christian life is in great demand; the life of negation being misleading and oftentimes harmful. The need is for young people to realize that they are not their own; they are bought with a price. While living in Time, Eternity must ever be kept in view.

There may be no pressing need for another Mrs. Doremus, a Mary Lyon, or a Mrs. Hanna, nor may it be necessary to have any cast in the same mold as Charlotte Tucker, Dr. Clara Swain, Martha J. McKown, Mary B. Reed or Elizabeth Gordon; but there *is* a call for the heroic in the little and seemingly inconsequential things of every day life. She who "is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much."

God has found many lives very useful in His service from among our busy women. Surely, many more will be sought out who will be fully as worthy of honer. He wants the life of purpose; a life that will care to do the small service of giving a cup of water in His name; a life that "is willing to be made willing." May the blessing of God rest on the young women of the United Presbyterian Church.

MISS IDA LITTLE.

NOTE.—We are glad to welcome Miss Ida B. Little of Washington, Pa., recently chosen as our new Young Women's Secretary, and to present her greetings to the young women. Miss Little is well qualified for her work and the societies are urged to co-operate with her in any plans she may suggest, and as many as possible send representatives to Chicago to meet her and assist in the inspiring conference the young women are anticipating.—Eds.

TIDINGS FROM FIRST CHURCH, BUFFALO

All honor to whom honor is due, and and God grant that the Luxor Young Women's Missionary Society of Detroit, may go on from strength to strength until they appear every one of them in Zion, bringing their sheaves with them.

The Loyal Circle of the King's Daughters of the First U. P. Church, Buffalo, is the youngest of the three young women's missionary societies of the First Church.

It is now entering upon its seventh year of service, growing from a membership of five to its present enrollment of seventeen. It is composed of young girls, some in high school, others just starting to work.

During the past year, by their own individual work, they have given $42.00 to the Sinking Fund of the church, $15.00 to the Young Women's Special Work, and $20.00 Thank-Offering.

They have sewed for the Children's Hospital in our city and did quite a little local work at Christmas and Thanksgiving time. A meeting is held each month, at the home of one of the members, and is devotional in character. They pay ten cents a month in dues.

At the close of each year they hold their annual meeting and banquet, at which time new officers are elected. It has been a matter of great encourage-

ment to their leader to see these young girls merging from girlhood into young womanhood to be taking an active interest in the "things pertaining to the Kingdom."

We feel that God has blest us, as individuals and as a Circle, and while our efforts have been but feeble, we know we are stronger and better equipped to meet and conquer the temptations that come to us in our daily lives from our banding together in Christian Fellowship. May He guide and lead us into larger usefulness and service, and as we grow in grace and in His likeness.

MRS. A. H. CARMACK.

Prompted by Editors' Note, following a letter in March issue of this Magazine, entitled "Good News From Detroit," I venture to send the following brief review of the past years' work of the Golden Rule Circle of King's Daughters of the First U. P. Church, Buffalo, N. Y., —an organization whose object is development of the Christian life, the doing of charitable work "in His name" and doing it in a quiet, sweet, womanly way befitting "Daughters of the King," who wear the royal purple as the sign of their kinship.

Having just closed the ninth years' service for our Master, we feel that we can point with pride to our progress, and especially to the success of the year just ended.

We have thirty active members, whose dues are ten cents per month, and seven associate members. Our Circle is not an "Adamless Eden." We have seventeen King's Sons, whose dues are $1.00 per year, and who join us at Home Meetings, by invitation.

There has been union in sympathy, thought and effort, and the results of our united energies are as follows: The payment of our annual pledge of $20.00 for Young Women's Work; $55.00 to Mission Jubilee Fund; several dollars were added to a Choir Fund of nearly $70.00, proceeds of two parlor entertainments given latter part of last year.

To raise money to pay our subscription of $30.00 to Sinking Fund, our President suggested that during the Summer Vacation, each member earn a dollar and at one of the early Fall meetings, tell in rhyme, how it was earned. The reading of this "poetry" afforded much merriment for the social hour and $22.00 were added to our treasury.

Feeling that some unfortunates may be benefited by purity, love and nurture that should be afforded by "A King's Daughters' Home," and God says, "It is not My will that one of them shall perish," a new mattress was purchased for the room equipped by this Circle; also, in October a fruit shower was given, each member contributing. In all twenty-four quarts were donated.

At a work meeting, thirty-two garments were made for the Children's Hospital.

Remembering the declaration, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these, ye did it unto Me," and one of our members, being a Director on Board of Buffalo Orphan Asylum, we learned of the more pressing needs of the institution so spent a day in sewing for the inmates. The price of seven beds ($49.00) was given by individual members. Following our usual custom to buy and fill stockings for Christmas gifts to Orphans, six pairs were filled and sent with other suitable holiday gifts.

The April Meeting of each year is held at the home of a member who is our Director for the Dr. Grenfell Guild. Forty useful articles of warm, wearing apparel and about Ten Dollars in cash were contributed to assist Dr. Grenfell in his wonderful work among the fishermen along the coasts of New Foundland and Labrador.

When to friends there comes a sorrow or a grief,
Tis ours to cheer and give relief.

Nearly ten dollars were expended in purchase of flowers during the year. A sum equal to ten cents per active member was contributed to the Contingent Fund. A delegate was sent to the Presbyterial Convention and we shared in defraying expenses of speakers who came to our city for the Mission Jubilee and for Thank-Offering services. Our Congregational Thank-Offering service was

held in November, Mrs. H. C. Campbell being present. The total in-gathering was $692.89 of which sum our organization was credited with $95.00.

Banquets have come as regularly as the years until the Eighth Annual Banquet was held March 22nd. Sixty-four persons were served. If the splendid responsiveness and good natured countenances are a criterion, then this one may be called one of the most successful annual events of the Circle.

A banquet, to serve its purpose, must have a meal to please the eye, then the palate, then hunger. The program following, was of exceptional merit. Our friend, Rev. H——, having recently returned from a trip abroad, gave a talk on "Italy from a Tourist's Viewpoint," which was most interesting and instructive. To indicate his subject, a miniature ocean-liner with Italian flags was used as a table center-piece. Flowers and music had their part in framing the picture, making it pretty and distinctive. Such colors do not fade!

We do not feel that we can do *great* things, as the world counts greatness; but if we aid or save *one* immortal soul, we may receive the plaudit, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." Need we desire greater need of praise?

Our members take a hopeful view of the future year. May this optimism continue! It has been said that:

"'Twixt optimist and pessimist the difference is droll—
The optimist sees the doughnut and the Pessimist sees the hole."

Does the advent of the new year find us better prepared to add to the list of good deeds set down against our names?

Knowing that "Content is a Foe to Progress," we plan for progressiveness and to simply do the best our circumstances will allow, leaving the outcome to Him who helps us to go bravely and patiently about work "in His name."

MARY H. MARSHALL.

NOTE.—Fine records from Buffalo. Let us hear from others.—Eds.

A WORD TO THE YOUNG WOMEN.

"The World in Chicago"—May 14-17.

That is the way it looks to us from this particular angle. Do you expect to be there? We don't want you to miss it, because it will be a young women's world to a large degree. As you study the printed program in the last issue, remember that one of your own number has planned it and will preside over the Convention.

Here are some of the attractions: "The Young Women's Parliament" will claim your interest because you have representatives in every field of this missionary world of ours. "Scenes from Real Life in India and Egypt" will bring the far-off people of those fields very close to your hearts.

You will have "fellow-feeling" for the missionaries home on furlough who count it all joy that they have yielded to the lure of missions.

There will be times of quiet waiting before the throne, mountain-top experiences, we trust, when you will see no one save Jesus only, and the watch-word above the platform will be graven upon your hearts; times when you will get the vision and inspiration for the girls at home—"the silent two-thirds whom God wants you to bring into His working Kingdom *this year*.

One of our young women writing from India, gives the following, which suggests a message to the young women of our church at home: "A Mohammedan who had expressed a friendly interest in the Christian religion, came to one of the missionaries at Sialkot and told him of a strange dream that had made a strong impression upon his newly awakened heart. Relating the circumstances, the Mohammedan said, 'Yesterday, while I was at prayer, two officers came and arrested me on a charge of forgery. They put hand-cuffs upon me and led me away to jail. That night I cried and cried, for I had done nothing wrong. By and by I fell asleep and dreamed that a man with a shining face stood before me. He smiled and said, 'It will be all right. Do not be afraid.' Then I saw nail-prints in His hands as He stretched them out toward me. This morning the men came and let me free, saying it was *all*

right, that the charge against me had proved to be false.'

The vision of the nail-pierced hands had touched him because he had heard the story of the cross, and was able to read the meaning, but all day long those hands are stretched out and pleading for recognition to a people sitting in darkness, who cannot know because *no one has told them.* And the telling is *our part*—He has "no other plan." He is "counting on" us. Can you doubt that young womanhood has a large part in that plan? Remember that the first commission of our risen Lord was given to a *young woman,* and she has handed it down as a sacred trust to the young women of this glorious day of opportunity. Our Silver Anniversary Bells have caught the echo, *"Go and tell! Go and tell!"* Make this *your* Jubilee year. Less than one-third of the young women of our church have really read the message of the nail-pierced hands. Look up *your* own community and get them in line, for the Master is calling these indifferent ones, through *you,* to a place in *His* Kingdom.

MRS. J. C. ALTER,
New Wilmington, Pa.

MONTHLY REPORT OF
WOMEN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

March 19.—The regular meeting was held in the Board room at ten o'clock. Miss Brown presided and conducted the devotional exercises. Mrs. Hill, Mrs. Wilson and Miss Brown led in prayer.

The Junior Secretary reported three new societies—Spirit Lake, Idaho, 35 members; Pitcairn, Pa., 28 members, Mrs. Mina Glenn, Supt.; Washington, D. C., 11 members, Mrs. J. A. Campbell, Supt.

Eight new Life Members were reported: Robert Hugh and William Wright Burnside, Garden City, Kans.; John Telford Matthews, Washington, Iowa; Sarah Jane and Lucy Meyers Degelman, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Robert Neal Coats, Cambridge, Ohio; Francis Mayer, New Brighton, Pa.; Agnes Carolyn McCrury, Washington, Iowa.

Mrs. H. C. Campbell was appointed to represent our Board and serve on the Committee of Arrangements for the next Tri-ennial Conference of the Women's Foreign Missionary Boards.

In the Home Department, a new lady missionary was granted to do neighborhood work in the congregation at Washington, D. C. Mrs. Coats was appointed to this work for six months.

At Frenchburg they have received 21 subscriptions toward the million dollar fund.

The Parsonage Secretary, Mrs. J. D. Sands, reported the congregation at Olympia, Wash. has paid its loan in full and proper officers were ordered to sign release papers.

The Foreign Secretary reported Miss Anne Wilson of Pittsburgh, has promised $1,400.00 (fourteen hundred) toward the erection and furnishing a cottage at Sangla Hill, India.

Miss Mary Pattison, Dean of Parsons College, has received appointment to go as missionary to Egypt. Miss Mabel Dickey of Wilkinsburg, Pa., was also elected to go to Egypt. The Women's Missionary Society of the First Church, Wilkinsburg, has pledged $50.00 (fifty) a year toward her support.

Letters were received from Miss Ferrier, Miss Hormel, Miss Hart, Miss Kerr, and Miss Margaret Wilson. Miss Wilson will arrive in Boston, April 22, on regular furlough.

March 26. — An adjourned meeting was held in the usual place. Miss Brown presided. Mrs. Yourd led in prayer.

It was decided that the price of a scholarship in any of our schools in India be raised to $50.00 (fifty) and in Egypt, the sum already printed by the Egyptian Association which is $80.00 (eighty.) These prices prevailing for future pledges only, all old pledges remain the same. A letter from Dr. Charles Watson expressed his appreciation of the Medical Board recently appointed.

The following eleven missionaries are invited to attend the Chicago Covention: The Misses Finney, Jamieson, Ella Gordon, Rose McCullough, Nannie Spencer, Alfarette Hammond, Anna McConaughey, Margaret Smith, Fannie Bradford, Ruth Work and Emma Minger.

Mrs. Finney, McConnellee, Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Chambers, Mrs. Sowash and Mrs. Lambie are the wives of missionaries, who will be guests at the Convention.

April 2.—The regular meeting was held in the usual place at ten o'clock. Miss Brown presided, conducting the devotional exercises. Mrs. Campbell and Miss Brown led in prayer.

Treasurer reported receipts for March $7,748.44; disbursements $16,795.15.

A bequest of $96.42 was received from the estate of Miss Eliza Blakeslee, a member of the Caledonia U. P. Church.

The following Life Members have been received since January: Mrs. A. W. Wilson, Mt. Vernon, Wash.; Mrs. J. M. Reed, Oil City;Miss Anna Beeside, Jersey City; Mrs. M. A. Boyd, Mt Lebanon, Pa.; Rev. J. S. Milligan and Mrs. Milligan, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Caroline Porter Hill, Latrobe, Pa.; Mrs. Margaret Rance, Plainfield, Ill.; Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. John C. Park, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs Isaac Milliken, Aspinwall, Pa.; Mrs. E. F. Gillis, Hanover Ill.; Mrs. M. J. Hughey, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.; Mrs. R. W. Spohn, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Miss Agnes Barrackman, West Union, Ohio; Mrs. Robert Fisher, Washington, Iowa; Mrs. H. P. Samson, Washington, Iowa; Mrs. William Speer, Hanover, Ill.; Mrs. J. R. McLean, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. W. R. Sawhill, Washington, Iowa.

The following Junior Life Members were received: Nellie Fern Anderson, Robert Clair Anderson, Hazel Elizabeth Anderson, Margaret Lois Anderson, Mary Evelyn Anderson, Doris Porter Hulick, Raymond Lyle Porter, all of Ainsworth; Elinor Sproul Beilby, Rochester, N. Y.; Leslie Harris Matthews, Washington, Iowa; Mary Myrtle Boyce, Washington, Iowa; Elizabeth M. Boyce, Washington, Iowa; Charles Morse Stolz, Ingram, Pa.; Robert Pollock, Pittsburgh, Pa. and Lena Moorehead Hastings, Cedarville Ohio.

As it will be more convenient for delegates coming from the East, the Ft. Wayne Road train leaving Union Station at 9 P. M. has been chosen as the best route for delegates to the Convention .

Miss Ida B. Little, our new Young Women's Secretary, reported two new societies in her department — Vandergrift, Pa., 13 members, Miss McCullough, President, and Colorado Springs, "The Mary Lawrence Society," 8 members, Miss Mary Randall, President.

In the Home Department, Mrs. Emmert of Kansas City, will finish work there, May 1st.

MRS ADA K. WILSON, Secretary

☞The Statistical Report in the July Magazine, 1911, furnished the addresses of those to whom the circular letters, etc., were sent, only a few responded to the request to furnish a name in their congregation.

Has your congregation made the canvass? IF NOT, DO SO BEFORE MAY 14th. Send all new subscriptions to Rev. J. E. Walker, 5630 Congress Street, Chicago, Ill. After May 14th, send to Xenia, Ohio.

The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad. Ps. 123, 6.

Give unto the Lord the glory due unto His name.

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